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OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

OF

KANSAS,

CONVENED IN

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. JOSEPH, MO.,
OCTOBER 21-25, 1903.

AND THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION

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SYNODICAL CALENDAR,

1903-1904.

Corporate Name.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS.

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SPEAKERS FOR 1904.

Wednesday Evening—Opening Sermon. REV. I. B. HEISEY.

Thursday Evening—Anniversary of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Friday Evening—MINISTERIAL EDUCATION. REV. FULLER BERGSTRESSER. Alternate, REV. M. F. TROXELL, D. D.

Saturday Evening—Addresses—"Modern Methods in the Sunday School," REV. F. D. ALTMAN, D. D. "Young People's Societies," REV. J. M. CROMER.

Sunday Evening—Ordination Sermon. REV. J. C. JACOBY, D. D. Alternate, REV. H. ZIMMERMAN.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Time—October 12-16, 1904.
Place—Eureka, Kan.

PLACES OF MEETING SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF KANSAS SYNOD.

No.	*Time.*	*Place.*
1.	November 5-7, 1868	Topeka, Kansas.
2.	April 25, 1869	Atchison, Kansas.
	October 6-10, 1869	Kansas City, Mo.
3.	October 5-10, 1870	Lawrence, Kansas.
4.	September 27-October 1, 1871	Grasshopper Falls, Kansas.
5.	September 11-14, 1872	Monrovia, Kansas.
6.	October 1-6, 1873	Kansas City, Mo.
7.	October 21-25, 1874	Abilene, Kansas.
8.	September 22-27, 1875	Lawrence, Kansas.
9.	August 1-6, 1876	Kansas City, Mo.
10.	August 22-25, 1877	Salina, Kansas.
11.	August 7-10, 1878	Peabody, Kansas.
12.	September 24-28, 1879	Abilene, Kansas.
13.	October 13-18, 1880	Lawrence, Kansas.
14.	October 5-9, 1881	Bunker Hill, Kansas.
15.	October 25-30, 1882	Salina, Kansas.
16.	October 24-29, 1883	Eureka, Kansas.
17.	November 25-December 1, 1884	Topeka, Kansas.
18.	October 20-26, 1885	Peabody, Kansas.
19.	October 12-18, 1886	Waterville, Kansas.
20.	October 25-31, 1887	Abilene, Kansas.
21.	October 23-28, 1888	Lawrence, Kansas.
22.	October 1-6, 1889	Atchison, Kansas.
23.	October 21-27, 1890	Salina, Kansas.
24.	October 20-25, 1891	Emporia, Kansas.
25.	October 18-23, 1892	Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial.
26.	October 17-22, 1893	Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran Church.
27.	October 16-21, 1894	Topeka, Kansas.
28.	October 15-20, 1895	Abilene, Kansas.
29.	October 20-25, 1896	Lawrence, Kansas.
30.	October 20-24, 1897	Peabody, Kansas.
31.	October 19-23, 1898	Hutchinson, Kansas.
32.	October 18-22, 1899	Atchison, Kansas.
33.	October 3-7, 1900	Waterville, Kansas.
34.	October 16-20, 1901	Wellington, Kansas.
35.	October 15-19, 1902	Salina, Kansas.
36.	October 21-25, 1903	St. Joseph, Mo.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

OF

KANSAS.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas convened in Thirty-sixth Annual Convention, in the First English Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Mo., the Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., pastor, Wednesday evening, October 21st, 1903, at 8 o'clock.

The opening sermon was preached by the President, the Rev. I. B. Heisey. The theme of the discourse was "The Real Presence."

Following the sermon, the Holy Communion was celebrated.

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1903, 9 A. M.

A half-hour's devotional service was conducted by the Rev. J. J. Chambers.

Synod was then opened by the President offering prayer.

The clerical roll was called and lay delegates enrolled.

Synodical Roll.

Number.	Ministers.	Entered Ministry.	Residence.	Lay Delegates and Correspondents.
1	Jacob Schauer, *a. e.*	1848	Atchison	No charge.
2	L. C. Groseclose, *a. e.*	1849	Eureka	No charge.
3	S. Henry, *a. e.*	1850	Independence	No charge.
4	J. B. McAfee, *a. e.*	1854	Topeka	No charge.
5	B. F. Hills, *a. e.*	1854	Dayton	No charge.
6	A. B. Kirtland, *a. e.*	1857	Salina	No charge.
7	Henry Heigerd, *a. e.*	1858	Effingham	No charge.
8	N. W. Lilly	1858	Haskell	W. H. Smith, *a. e.*
9	A. M. Geiger, D. D., *a.*	1859	Kansas City, Mo.	No charge.
10	D. Scholl, *a. e.*	1859	Hoquiam, Wash.	No charge.
11	R. B. Whitehill, *a. e.*	1862	Wellington	No charge.
12	A. J. Hartsock, *a. e.*	1867	Salina	No charge.
13	J. H. Stough, Ph. D.	1872	Atchison	Prof. Midland College.
14	John A. Bright	1873	Topeka	No charge.
15	S. Palmer, *a. e.*	1875	Lawrence	No charge.
16	J. M. Cromer	1876	Kansas City, Mo.	M. C. Ross, *d.*
17	G. F. Pugh	1877	Ottawa	John Nelson, *a. e.*
18	J. A. M. Ziegler, D. D.	1877	Kansas City, Mo.	D. W. Witmer.
19	J. N. Zimmer	1878	Abilene	No charge.
20	J. C. Jacoby, D. D.	1878	Sedalia, Mo.	Theodore Meyer.
21	H. A. Ott	1881	Topeka	A. F. Wessen.
22	F. D. Altman, D. D.	1882	Atchison	Pres. West. Theo. Sem.
23	M. F. Troxell, D. D.	1882	St. Joseph, Mo.	Jesse Schwartz, *d.*
24	C. E. Wirick	1882	Salina.	
25	H. L. Yarger, D. D.	1885	Atchison	Field Sec'y Bd. Ch. Ex.
26	J. F. Scherer, *a.*	1885		
27	Jonas Freet, *a. e.*	1888	Abilene	No charge.
28	H. A. Koogle	1888	Chapman	No charge.
29	I. B. Heisey	1892	Waterville	Albert Peterson.
30	R. B. Wolf	1893	Kansas City, Kan.	J. A. Coble.
31	Fuller Bergstresser	1893	Abilene	A. Lesher, *d.*
32	H. Zimmerman	1893	Emporia	John Henning.
33	R. H. Williams	1894	Oklahoma City, Okla.	C. E. Johnson.
34	P. S. Spraker		Kenard, Neb.	
35	B. F. Kistler	1896	Greenleaf, Kan.	
36	J. J. Chambers	1896	Perth, Kan.	
37	J. F. Petticrew	1896	Jerico, Mo.	
38	D. H. Cramer	1897	Eureka	F. J. Wolf.
39	E. E. Stauffer	1897	Lawrence	H. Albach.
40	C. F. Wiest	1898	Hays City.	
41	E. H. Combs	1899	Whitewater	J. F. Beans.
42	W. A. Livers, *a. e.*	1899		No charge.
43	J. T. Miller	1899	Norcatur	G. C. Zorn.
44	J. M. Herbst	1901	Effingham	Arnold Schubmacher.
45	C. G. Nielsen	1901	Beloit	Henry Lins.
46	C. N. Swihart	1901	Peabody.	
47	W. F. Poot		Minneapolis	M. L. Sheffer.
48	Simon G. Knudten	1902	Glasco.	
49	J. F. Krueger	1903	Atchison	West. Theo. Seminary.
50	A. R. Betz	1903	Atchison	West. Theo. Seminary.
51	J. H. Utesch	1903	Atchison	West. Theo. Seminary.
52	P. G. Tonsing	1893	Atchison	No charge.
	Vacant		Moray	Milton Zimmerman, *d.*
			Hutchinson	O. P. Albright.
			Vinland	I. Hemphill.
			Wellington	Frederick L. Meyer.
			Greenleaf	J. C. Barnes.
			Chapman	D. B. Pierce.

a. Absent without excuse. *d.* Delegate to this convention.

a. e. Absent and excused.

Note.—When no delegate is present, Synod records the name of some member of the congregation for purposes of correspondence.

Advisory Members.

Rev. J. L. Nevé, D. D., Atchison, Professor of the Western Theological Seminary.

Rev. R. W. Hufford, D. D., East Pennsylvania Synod.

Rev. Marion J. Kline, D. D., East Pennsylvania Synod.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., Nebraska Synod.

President's Report.

Fathers and Brethren: Another year, with its joys and sorrows, has passed by, and we are assembled, in the providence of God, in our Thirty-sixth Annual Convention.

This has been a year that for destructive storms and floods on our territory has exceeded anything in the memory of living men. It is a matter for profound thanksgiving to Almighty God that our people have suffered no great material losses, and we rejoice in the fact that the ranks of our ministry remain unbroken by the last enemy.

We have been called upon to rejoice with Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Pugh in the celebration of their silver wedding. We most heartily congratulate them. Our sympathies have gone out to Rev. and Mrs. R. B. Wolf on account of the death of their youngest son, and to Dr. Ziegler on account of the serious and protracted illness of his faithful helpmeet, who is now happily convalescent.

There has been an unusual amount of unrest among the pastors, many resignations and changes having taken place during the year. The reasons are at least partly the general prosperity and consequent increase in the expense of maintaining a pastor's home, coupled with the fact that congregations do not realize the pastor's greater need and withhold more than is meet. The scarcity of ministers in general cause new opportunities to be opened to poorly paid pastors, and, without being mercenary, they have accepted these offers as a matter of necessity or justice.

Some of our churches have been vacant nearly or quite the entire year, and all efforts to have pastors called have proven fruitless. However, the year closes with brighter prospects. Several vacancies have recently been filled, and more pastors appear and indicate their willingness to take up work in our Synod.

The general scarcity of ministers leads me to call the attention of the members of Synod to the clause in our Constitution which makes it the duty of every minister "to seek out proper candidates for the ministry." Even in this sacred work of calling men to the ministry we are to be co-workers with God.

I now give you a report of my official acts, and lay before you such information as it seems important for you to have, together with a few recommendations.

RESIGNATIONS.

Rev. E. E. Stauffer resigned as pastor of our church at Wellington, and closed his work there December 31st, 1902.

Rev. L. S. Keyser, D. D., resigned as pastor of St. Mark's Church, Atchison, Kan., to take effect April 1st, 1903.

Rev. P. Bergstresser, D. D., who was regularly supplying the Manchester and St. James' churches, concluded his labor of love for them on Easter Sunday, April 12th, 1903.

Rev. G. W. Livers notified me that he had resigned the Greenleaf and Barnes pastorate, to take effect June 1st, 1903.

Rev. J. N. Zimmer resigned the Bunker Hill pastorate, to take effect on the day of resignation, June 6th, 1903.

Rev. A. M. Reitzel resigned his work at Hutchinson, Kan., and closed his labors on July 1st, 1903.

Rev. J. W. Ball resigned as pastor of the Children's Memorial Church on June 26th, and finished his work there on the 28th of July, 1903.

Rev. W. A. Livers notified me on May 18th that he had resigned as pastor of our church at Perth, Kan., and that he would conclude his work there on August 1st, 1903.

Rev. J. J. Chambers resigned the New Cambria pastorate, to take effect October 31st, 1903.

Rev. R. H. Williams notified me on October 2d that he had resigned as pastor of our church at Oklahoma City, to take effect on November 1st, 1903.

DISMISSALS.

The following brethren were dismissed on the dates and to the Synods indicated:

Rev. A. B. Shrader, October 31st, 1902, to the Wittenberg Synod.

Rev. J. A. Lowe, December 13th, 1902, to the Synod of Nebraska.

Rev. L. S. Keyser, D. D., April 4th, 1903, to the Synod of East Ohio.

Rev. P. Bergstresser, D. D., May 4th, 1903, to the Synod of Pittsburgh.

Rev. R. M. Badger, June 9th, 1903, to the Synod of Central Illinois.

Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D., June 15th, 1903, to the Synod of Southern Illinois.

Rev. G. W. Livers, June 29th, 1903, to the Synod of Nebraska.

Rev. A. M. Reitzel, July 27th, 1903, to the Synod of Central Illinois.

Rev. G. O. Ritter, August 1st, 1903, to the Synod of Northern Indiana.

Rev. E. V. Nussbaum, August 5th, 1903, to the German Nebraska Synod.

Rev. J. W. Ball, September 14th, 1903, to the Synod of Nebraska.

ACCESSIONS.

November 24th, 1902, a letter was received dismissing Rev. Charles F. Wiest to our Synod from the Synod of Central Pennsylvania.

June 19th, 1903, a letter of dismissal was received transferring Rev. W. F. Poot from the Synod of Northern Indiana to ours.

September 23d, 1903, Rev. Paul G. Tonsing sent me his letter of dismissal from the Synod of Nebraska, and his name was placed on our roll.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

November 1st, 1902, Rev. R. B. Wolf took charge of our mission in Kansas City, Kan. The congregation is known as the First English Lutheran Church of that city.

November 23d, 1902, Rev. E. E. Stauffer received and accepted a call to become pastor of our church at Lawrence, Kan. He began his labors there on January 1st, 1903.

Rev. N. W. Lilly accepted a call to become pastor of our churches at Garnett and Bush City. He began his labors there January 1st, 1903.

January 23d, 1903, I received notice that Rev. D. H. Cramer had accepted a call to become pastor of our church at Eureka, Kan., and that he would begin his work there on January 25th, 1903.

Rev. W. F. Poot received a call from the Minneapolis pastorate, and began his labors in that field on Easter Sunday, April 12th, 1903.

Rev. J. F. Petticrew accepted a call and became pastor at Jerico, Mo., July 1st, 1903.

August 10th, 1903, Rev. J. J. Chambers accepted a call to become pastor of our church at Perth, Kan., and he is to begin his work in that field on November 1st, 1903.

October 10th, 1903, I received the information that Rev. J. F. Cressler had accepted the call extended him by the New Cambria pastorate, and that he would be on the field to begin his work there on November 1st, 1903.

INSTALLATIONS.

November 16th, 1902, Rev. C. G. Nielsen was installed pastor of our church at Beloit, Kan. Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., preached in the English language and Rev. J. L. Nevé, D. D., in the German. The occasion was an inspiring one for both the congregation and the pastor.

November 30th, 1902, Rev. R. B. Wolf was installed pastor of the First English Lutheran Church of Kansas City, Kan. Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., delivered the charge to the pastor, and Rev. J. W. Ball instructed the people as to their duties.

January 4th, 1903, Rev. C. N. Swihart was installed by Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., as pastor of our church at Peabody, Kan.

January 25th, 1903, Rev. E. E. Stauffer was installed pastor of our church at Lawrence, Kan. Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., delivered the charge to the congregation, and Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., gave important instructions to the pastor.

August 16th, 1903, Rev. W. F. Poot was installed pastor of the Minneapolis pastorate by the President of Synod.

DEDICATION.

The Ottawa congregation has now for some months been worshiping in its new commodious church. The property was last year purchased from the M. E. people, who gave possession May 1st, 1903. The church was thoroughly repaired and refurnished at a cost of about $800.00. Dedicatory services were held on June 26th, 1903, by Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., who raised subscriptions to the amount of $800.00 as a parsonage fund.

AD INTERIM LICENSE.

At the request of three members of the Examining Committee I granted *ad interim* license to Mr. Simon Knudten until the next meeting of the Ministerium. Mr. Knudten took charge of the German-English Lutheran congregation at Glasco, Kan., after completing his work in our Western Theological Seminary last spring. Reports indicate that he has been quite successful as pastor of that church. He comes to Synod bringing with him the application of his congregation for membership in this body.

APPOINTMENTS.

The removal from our Synod of Rev. L. S. Keyser, D. D., and Rev. P. Bergstresser, D. D., occasioned vacancies in the Examining Committee. I nominated Rev. J. Howard Stough, Ph. D., and Rev. J. A. M. Ziegler, D. D., to fill these vacancies. The Trustees of Synod confirmed the nominations, and I asked Dr. Altman, as the senior member of the committee, to act as Chairman. The vacancy in the Committee on Ministerial Education was filled in a similar way, Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., consenting to act until the meeting of Synod.

NEW CHURCHES.

Our congregation at Hays City, Kan., is erecting a beautiful new church edifice of white stone, the cost of which is now estimated at $7,000.00. The main audience room is in size 40 by 60 feet, with a Sunday school annex 26 by 40 feet. The seating capacity of the main room will be 350, which can be increased to 600 when the Sunday school room is used. The masonry work is now completed, and the building under roof. The work is being pushed as speedily as possible. The pews and memorial windows have been ordered and are to be shipped soon. Pastor Wiest expects the church to be completed and ready for dedication, at furthest, by the 1st of January, 1904.

The English Evangelical Lutheran congregation connected with the Waterville pastorate has been worshiping in the church edifice which was the property of a Scandinavian congregation. During the year a consolidation of the old and new organizations has been effected. The charter name of the old organization was changed to that of the new, thus making the property,

consisting of a commodious country church building and a beautiful and neatly kept cemetery, a part of our possessions in the Waterville pastorate. The value of the property is estimated at $2,000.00.

IMPROVEMENTS.

While some of our churches seem quite inactive, others are unusually active, and more or less extensive improvements have been made during the year.

Peabody, Kan. Our church at this place has built an addition, 14 feet in length and the width of the main building, to the east end of the church. The ceiling of the church has been beautifully grained, the walls re-plastered and finished with fresco work. The floor has been re-carpeted and the room is to have new lighting, a furnace has been placed in the basement, the roof has been re-shingled, and the lot provided with new brick sidewalks. The whole cost of the improvements will be about $1,500.00, which is all provided for. When the church will have been re-painted it will present a very neat appearance.

Emporia, Kan. The church here has reduced its Church Extension debt $600.00, and the interior of the church edifice has been re-frescoed at a cost of $100.00.

St. Joseph, Mo. One thousand dollars have been paid during the year on the church debt. A new and beautiful pipe organ has been secured and placed in the church and the interior re-frescoed. The cost of these improvements was about $1,500.00, all of which is provided for. Re-opening services were held August 16th, 1903, in charge of the pastor.

New Cambria. The pastor's report indicates that the work is in excellent condition, and that a new organ has been placed in the church.

Beloit, Kan. A new bell was placed in the tower, the woodwork of the church was re-painted, and the pulpit platform and aisles carpeted at an expense of $200.00.

PARSONAGES.

St. John's Lutheran congregation at Salina, Kan., has, during the year, erected a very beautiful and commodious parsonage on the lots adjoining the church. The building has ten rooms, with all the modern conveniences, and was erected at a cost, including lots, of $3,200.00, all of which is provided for.

On a recent visit to Beloit, Kan., I found Pastor Nielsen living in a neat new parsonage with seven rooms, which his loyal people had erected for his comfort at an expense of $1,300.00.

Pastor Knudten, of Glasco, Kan., in sending in his Report on State of Religion, writes that his people are building a new parsonage. It is modeled after that so wisely planned by Pastor Nielsen, of Beloit, and will cost about $1,500.00.

The pastor of the New Cambria charge reports that his people have purchased a property which is well adapted in location and conveniences to be

the future home of the pastors who are to minister unto them in spiritual things. The lots are 100 by 330 feet in size, the house has six comfortable rooms, the place is provided with well and cistern and a large barn. The purchase price was $1,050.00; all except about $400.00 of this is provided for.

The people of the Waterville pastorate are rejoicing in the fact that their parsonage debt is paid in full, and the Ottawa church has $800.00 subscribed for the purpose of securing a parsonage.

VACANCIES.

The following charges are vacant at the present time:

Atchison, Hutchinson, Wellington, Greenleaf, Kan.; Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Mo.; Morrill, Vinland, Bunker Hill, and Chapman, Kan.

Chapman has been vacant the entire year, and Wellington nearly so, and all efforts to have pastors placed in charge have so far failed. St. Mark's congregation of Atchison has extended a call to Rev. R. W. Hufford, D. D., of Reading, Pa. Hutchinson has called Rev. J. Kent Rizer, of Cañon City, Col. Greenleaf has extended a call to Rev. B. F. Kistler, of Kansas City.

The Children's Memorial will be supplied under the supervision of the officers of Synod until such time as they may see their way clear to call a pastor. Chapman has extended calls to several men, and are considering another man now. Bunker Hill is anxious to secure the services of a pastor soon.

Wellington should receive the attention of the Advisory Board of Home Missions and of the Western Secretary of the Home Board at an early date. A pastor can be placed there, but it will require direct attention.

COMMUNION AT VACANT CHURCHES.

Seeing that there were so many vacancies which ought to be encouraged and kept in touch with our work, arranged that Communion service should be held for them and an offering taken for benevolence at the close of the Synodical year. Under this plan Rev. J. N. Zimmer supplied at Manchester on September 13th and at St. James' on October 4th. Rev. J. L. Hammond, of Tekamah, Neb., supplied and held Communion service at the Excelsior Church, of the Bunker Hill charge, on September 20th, and Rev. C. F. Wiest held the service at the Bunker Hill Church, September 27th. Rev. B. F. Kistler supplied and held the service at Barnes on September 27th, and at Greenleaf, October 4th. Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., held the service at the Children's Memorial Church, Kansas City, on September 27th, and Rev. E. E. Stauffer visited the Vinland people on September 27th. All these brethren report a good interest in the work of blessed Communion services, and some caused the entire apportionment to be raised by the congregation visited.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Western Orphans' Home. I received an official communication from the Synod of Northern Illinois, dated at Chicago, July 22d, and giving the facts

concerning the newly established Western Orphans' Home, and asking for the co-operation of the Kansas Synod in the maintenance of that institution.

Since an answer was desired from our Synod for the meeting of the Synod of Northern Illinois which occurs on our dates, I thought it expedient to appoint a committee on this subject with instructions to be prepared to make a report at the first business session of this convention, so that our action can be communicated to them before they adjourn. Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., and Mr. J. H. Berlin have accepted this trust.

You are aware that the General Synod at its meeting in Baltimore started a movement to raise one million dollars for our higher institutions of learning. I received a circular from the General Synod's Committee asking that this subject be presented to our Synod by a committee appointed for that purpose.

October 9th, 1903, I received official notification from the First Church, Kansas City, that at a meeting of the Council of that church, held on October 5th, 1903, action was taken withdrawing the protest which that church had filed with the officers of Synod in October, 1900, against the reception of Grace Church into this body.

My attention has also been called to Manhattan, Kan.; Stillwater, Okla.; and Rich Hill, Mo., as promising fields for our Church's work. Marysville, Kan., is to my personal knowledge waiting for us to organize a General Synod English Lutheran Church, and there is ample material ready to make an excellent beginning, besides the time is now. It may seem foolish to speak of new work when so many of our fields are without pastors, but the tide will turn if it has not already done so, and we should keep up our courage, adapt ourselves to the changing needs of our field, and let the motto ever be "Forward." The fact is that there are now at least seven men on our list that seem available for work in Kansas.

During the early summer the Children's Memorial congregation sold their church property to another congregation for a consideration of $12,500.00. The parties purchasing placed a forfeit in the hands of the Memorial people, and agreed to receive the property and settle the balance of the purchase price on September 1st, 1903. At that time, failing to raise the funds, request was made for a continuation of the purchase contract for six months, which was granted under a forfeit sum of $250.00. If the sale is really made, the congregation expects to purchase a property which seems to be more advantageously located.

STATE OF RELIGION.

As to the state of religion in our churches, "Man looketh on the outward appearance," only God can see and know the real spiritual condition of the Church. However, we have outward evidences, and we are directed to know them by their fruits. The reports as given us by the pastors give no occasion for despondency or discouragement, for they are in the main favorable. Our

people still continue to rejoice in and attend public worship; only where there is no pastor does the report indicate a diminishing attendance. A few pastors confess that the attendance at their churches is stationary, but as a rule the word used is growing.

Special services have been held in a number of our churches, while one pastor reports having observed Holy Week with blessed results. A few of the churches report no service for prayer, but those who have prayer meetings report a good average of the membership interested.

Family religion might be suspected from the report to be at a low ebb. This is indeed unfortunate, for the home atmosphere from which the young and rising generation receives its most permanent impressions ought to be hallowed by prayer and the reading of God's word. Pastors ought to seek to rebuild the altars that have been broken down. With this in view, I have considered sending to every home in the Waterville pastorate a copy of a devotional calendar as a Christmas souvenir. There is a leaf for every day, with a special selection of Scripture, and an exhortation or a few stanzas of poetry.

As to the Sunday schools, so far as the reports indicate conditions, we might be satisfied. But knowing the work by practical experience in it, beg to say that I believe the International Lesson System to be excellent but not adequate to our needs. Our work in the Sunday schools now does not give sufficient definite Biblical knowledge to the individual scholar. A course of study with requirements for the various departments of the school is the need of the time.

This need not set aside but rather supplement the International Course. Only one of our schools reports using other than our own literature, and that one promises to change by the 1st of January, 1904. Our young people are being educated for church work, in that they are learning early to give to the Boards of the Church.

With a single exception, our congregations report contributions to the general work of the Church, and all except four report growth in the grace of giving.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That a committee be appointed on Sunday Schools, and that this be made a Standing Committee.

2. That a committee be appointed to present to the Synod at this meeting the Million Dollar Education Fund movement.

3. My attention was called during the summer to a section of our By-Laws which is found in the Minutes of 1888, page 33, Section 6, and which provides that "Trustees shall have power to fill all vacancies, however occasioned, until the next annual session of Synod." This, not appearing in the codified laws of Synod, has been overlooked. Dr. Yarger said in his report last year, in reference to filling vacancies I appointed, "I should have made the same mistake."

I recommend that, if this is still the wish of this Synod, it be made a matter of record at this meeting.

4. Synod should elect two Trustees of Midland, two Trustees of Synod, one member of the Advisory Board of Home Missions, and two members of the Committee on Ministerial Education.

The year closes with the cheering news from the Treasurer of Synod that the aggregate of the contributions from our churches for benevolence exceed those of last year by $742.00. Let us rejoice and take courage, and, endeavoring to have "this mind in us which was also in Christ Jesus," determine to "press toward the mark for the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus."

Respectfully submitted, I. B. HEISEY,
President.

The report was referred to the proper committee.

The Treasurer then offered his Report. (See Appendix A.)

It was referred to committee.

Election of Officers.

The election resulted as follows:

President—Rev. I. B. Heisey.

Secretary—Rev. E. E. Stauffer.

Treasurer—Mr. H. L. Humphrey.

The first seven rows of seats were designated as the bar of the Synod.

Hours of Meeting and Adjournment.

Meeting: 9 A. M., 2 P. M.

Adjournment: 11.45 A. M., 4.30 P. M.

Evening Services: 7.30 o'clock.

Press Reporters.

Lutheran World—Rev. Fuller Bergstresser.

Lutheran Observer—Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D.

Lutheran Evangelist—Rev. J. M. Cromer.

Daily Papers—Rev. H. Zimmerman, Rev. D. H. Cramer.

Report of Committee on New Orphans' Home.

Your committee has had referred to it a communication from the President of the Synod of Northern Illinois, favoring the establishment of an Orphans' Home at Nachusa, Ill., and asking the co-operation of our own and other Western Synods. The subject has been before several of the latest sessions

of the General Synod and has received the approval of that body, and a guide for our action and co-operation is suggested in the second resolution adopted by the General Synod in the report rendered and adopted at Des Moines in 1901, page 79 of the printed Minutes, which reads as follows:

"That the General Synod favor the acceptance of this offer by the District Synods of Illinois and further West, and that these Synods be advised to elect two persons from each to represent them on a provisional Board of Trustees to accept the property and to attend to the proper conduct of the founding of the institution."

Your committee recommends the following:

1. That the communication from the President of the Synod of Northern Illinois be read for the information of this Synod.

2. That the Synod then proceed to elect two of its members as provisional Trustees, to act with representatives of other Synods in founding the proposed Orphans' Home.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. TROXELL,
H. L. YARGER,
J. H. BERLIN.

Adopted.

On motion of Dr. Jacoby, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., and J. P. Burtis as provisional Trustees of the Western Orphans' Home.

On motion of Dr. Troxell, the Secretary was instructed to advise the Northern Illinois Synod of this action, and send greetings.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. B. F. Pugh.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Rev. L. P. Ludden offered the opening prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Appointment of Committees.

1. *President's Report*—Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, Rev. E. H. Combs, Mr. B. D. Zimmerman.

2. *Treasurer's Report*—Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., Mr. J. H. Berlin.

3. *Devotional Services*—Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., Rev. R. B. Wolf, Mr. J. Schwartz.

4. *Absentees and Excuses*—Rev. B. F. Kistler, Rev. H. A. Koogle, Mr. Albert Peterson.

5. *Apportionment*—Rev. J. M. Herbst, Rev. J. T. Miller, Mr. B. D. Zimmerman.

6. *Synodical Calendar*—Rev. C. E. Wirick, Rev. J. J. Chambers, Mr. J. P. Burtis.

7. *Correspondence*—Rev. W. F. Poot, Rev. B. F. Pugh, Mr. Abram Lesher.

8. *Literary and Theological Institutions*—Rev. J. A. M. Ziegler, D. D., Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, Mr. Henry Albach.

9. *Application of Church for Admission to Synod*—Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., Rev. C. G. Nielsen, Mr. Milton Zimmerman.

10. *Minutes of Conference*—Rev. E. H. Combs, Rev. J. F. Petticrew, Mr. John Henning.

11. *Resolutions*—Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D., Rev. C. N. Swihart, Mr. Arnold Schuhmacher.

12. *Vacant Congregations*—Rev. J. J. Chambers, Rev. D. H. Cramer, Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D.

13. *Minutes of Last Meeting*—Rev. J. T. Miller, Rev. N. W. Lilly, Mr. D. W. Witmer.

14. *Parochial Report*—Rev. C. N. Swihart, Rev. W. F. Poot.

15. *Literature*—Rev. J. M. Cromer, Rev. H. Zimmerman, Mr. Henry Albach.

16. *On Claims*—Rev. J. J. Chambers, Rev. J. F. Petticrew, Mr. J. H. Berlin.

17. *Temperance*—Rev. R. H. Williams, Rev. B. F. Pugh, Mr. J. H. Berlin.

On motion of Dr. Troxell, it was voted to defer the time of meeting on Friday to 3 o'clock, that a pleasure and sight-seeing trip might be taken.

Report of Committee on Parochial Report.

(See Appendix B.)

On motion, the report was adopted and the committee discharged.

On motion, Rev. L. P. Ludden, Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, was heard.

Report of Committee on Application of New Churches for Admission.

Your committee has had the following papers placed in their hands:

1. An application from St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Glasco, Kan., for membership in this body. This congregation numbers thirty-seven families, and has adopted in substance the Constitution prescribed for our churches by the General Synod.

2. An application from Grace Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Mo., accompanied by a copy of its Constitution, in perfect harmony with the Formula for the Government and Discipline of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, adopted by the General Synod. The congregation reports 135 members.

Your committee would recommend that these petitions be granted, and the names of these congregations placed upon our roll and their delegates given a seat in this body.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
C. G. NIELSEN,
W. M. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

Report of Trustees of Midland College.

Your Trustees both attended the meeting of the Board, which was held May 26th and 27th, 1903, earlier than announced in the catalogue, because of the meeting of the General Synod, which some of the members of the Board were to attend.

Some things were mentioned at the meeting that were matters for rejoicing, but the Board was confronted by the stubborn and unpleasant fact that the debt of the college was gradually and constantly increasing, and that it aggregated then between five and six thousand dollars. The enrollment of students had been slightly increased and the Oak Hall debt very materially reduced, but, in spite of the fact that the college had received nearly $8,000.00 during the year from the Board of Education, the debt was increasing. Measures were discussed for reducing the expenses, and it was only after much earnest discussion that it was decided to drop the office of Solicitor after October 1st, 1903, and thus save an annual expense of $1,400.00.

Dr. Altman and the Trustees who were to attend the meeting of the General Synod were authorized to make an appeal to that body for aid for the college. The success which came largely as the result of Dr. Altman's plea has made every friend of Midland to rejoice. The $6,500.00 given the institution has made it possible thoroughly to repair and beautify the interior of Atchison Hall and to make needed improvements in Oak Hall; $1,000.00 was wisely expended in this way.

The plan to raise money on Midland College Day for the Endowment

Funds, having proven a failure, has been dropped, and we are to give the offerings on the Day of Prayer for Colleges to the Library Fund of the college.

The future of our institutions at Atchison depends upon the uncompromising support of our churches in the West. Too many of our young people are now attending other institutions. Midland College merits, and it ought to receive, the hearty support of every pastor, as well as of every laymen in the Kansas Synod.

Respectfully submitted, E. R. WORTHINGTON,
I. B. HEISEY.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Education.

Your committee would report that during the year aid has been given to Mr. Frederick R. Shirck, Mr. Paul Mennenoah, and Mr. Simon Knudten in the sum of $125.00 each.

Mr. Simon Knudten has completed seminary work, and is now pastor of the Lutheran Church at Glasco, Kan., and is doing excellent work.

Mr. Shirck has completed the clasical course in Midland College, and the reports from the faculty indicate a good standing. He has done some preaching under the direction of the President of Synod during the summer, and has now entered the Western Theological Seminary for the three-year course. He asks us to aid him in the sum of $125.00 for this year.

Mr. Paul Mennenoah has been doing good work in his classes, and is esteemed in the college community as an exemplary young man. He asks for aid in the sum of $125.00.

Mr. Paul H. Heisey, of Waterville, Kan., has entered the Freshman Class at Midland College with the ministry as his object. He asks us to aid him in the sum of $125.00 for this year.

We have had considerable correspondence with those who have unsettled obligations in the hands of the committee, but have not succeeded in making any settlements.

The movement in the General Synod for a more thorough and careful supervision of the matter of Ministerial Education should receive our hearty endorsement and co-operation.

We wish to call attention to two items in the General Synod Committee's Report. They say, in paragraph 4, page 85: "In our judgment all benefactions of this order should be looked upon rather as loans than as charitable bestowments, and that at the end of a reasonable term of years of faithful service to the ministry of our Church the beneficiary's notes be returned and his financial obligations of this order canceled."

Again, in paragraph 6, on the same page, they say: "In the judgment of this committee, men who receive the money of the Church and then fail to meet their solemn obligations to enter the ministry of the Church, and who turn aside to secular pursuits, should be pushed with all promptness and legal

force available to refund all money of the Church that has been expended in giving them the advantages of a higher education."

In reference to the foregoing items, we recommend:

1. That aid be granted to Mr. Frederick R. Shirck, Mr. Paul Mennenoah, and Mr. Paul H. Heisey in the sum of $125.00 each for the coming year.

2. That when a beneficiary of this Synod has faithfully served the Church in the ministry for a term of ten years, his notes be returned and his obligations of this order canceled.

3. That the Synod instruct its committee as to its duties in the matter of unsettled accounts.

4. That the apportionment for Ministerial Education for the ensuing year be 12 cents per member.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. HEISEY,
F. D. ALTMAN,
JESSE SCHWARTZ.

Adopted.

A motion was made that a committee of three be appointed to instruct the Committee on Ministerial Education in regard to Recommendation No. 3 in the above report.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. H. A. Koogle.

EVENING SERVICE.

THURSDAY, 7.30 O'CLOCK.

The Anniversary of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society was the order for this service.

The President of the Synodical Society, Mrs. Alice G. Bond, of Salina, presided.

The addresses of the evening were delivered by Rev. Marion J. Kline, D. D., Secretary of Board of Foreign Missions, and by Miss Anna E. Sanford, returned missionary from India.

Miss Martina Martin recited.

A liberal offering for the Synodical Society was received.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. W. F. Poot.

Dr. Jacoby offered prayer.

The roll was called and minutes read and approved.

On motion, Dr. J. A. Wirt, of Des Moines, was received as an advisory member.

On motion of Rev. B. F. Pugh, an Obituary Committee on the death of Rev. David Earhart was asked for, and the President appointed Dr. Ziegler, Dr. Jacoby, and Rev. Ott.

Report of Committee on Transportation.

Your Committee on Transportation secured a half-rate through to Ohio for the family of the late pastor at Lawrence; also a half-rate to Chicago for his household goods; also half-rates from this territory for delegates going to the Pittsburg (Woman's) Convention; also a half-rate for the officers of the Kansas Synodical Society; and a similar rate for a layman from a distant and weak congregation to this Synod.

Had the attendance at this convention been equal to 100 a general reduced rate could have been had. As scarcely forty reported to me their intention of going to St. Joseph, it was useless on our part to even apply for a reduced rate. Unfortunately, there was no general reduced rate even to a neighboring point during the time of this convention, as was the case last year, hence no general reduction could be obtained. We have incurred a bill of $1.25 for postage and stationery.

Respectfully submitted, H. A. OTT.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

The paper placed in the hands of this committee is a report of the official acts of the President of this body.

The report shows a wise and diligent management of such affairs of Synod as usually fall to the lot of its official head.

Your committee recommends that Recommendations 1, 2, 3, and 4 be approved and acted upon in the order of business under which they properly come.

Respectfully submitted, FULLER BERGSTRESSER,
ELMER H. COMBS,
B. D. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Your committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's statement would report that they have examined the same carefully and find it correct. As Mr. J. P. Burtis retires from the office at this meeting of Synod, we hereby record our sincere thanks for his efficient and faithful service in this capacity during the past three years.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
J. H. BERLIN.

Adopted.

The retiring Treasurer, Mr. Burtis, appeared and responded.

Report of Committee on Quarterly Benevolence Envelopes.

Your Committee on Quarterly Benevolence Envelopes would report that during the past year we have had more requests for the pink envelopes than at any time in the past, 9,000 having been sent out.

It is very noticeable that the pastors who have a system for raising their apportionment, and *work the system*, raise their benevolence with least effort, and usually raise it in full.

The committee has a supply of envelopes at this meeting of Synod, and, in order to save postage, would suggest that any of our pastors who may need a supply of envelopes see the chairman of this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. STAUFFER,
J. J. CHAMBERS.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Literature.

Your committee reports :

1. That we have reason to rejoice in the growing efficiency of our Church literature. Our Church papers are increasing in excellency, and our Sunday school literature is as good as the best.

2. We are glad to note the step taken in advance by our General Synod Committee looking to the publishing of graded lessons for the primary department in our Sunday schools, and also of a weekly Sunday school paper, and hope both enterprises will be inaugurated.

3. We would call attention to the *Lutheran Quarterly*, a publication which all of our pastors and more intelligent laymen should take. It is worthy to be classed with the best Church quarterlies, and deserves a much larger circulation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. CROMER,
H. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on the History of Lutheranism in Kansas.

Your committee had a meeting in Atchison on the 5th of January, at which the work of securing data and the preparation of various chapters was par-

titioned out among the members of the committee. Owing to the difficulty of securing data we have not been able to complete the work, although chapters on the pioneer history, organization of Synod, history of the individual congregations, the Synodical Secretary, and our educational institutions have been almost completed. The committee ask further time.

We regret to record the death of Father David Earhart, one of the pioneer pastors of this Synod. We would respectfully ask that a minute be made of his death, to be spread upon the minutes of this Synod.

The following expenses have been incurred:

Postage and railroad fare (Rev. H. A. Ott)	$2 35
Railroad fare (Rev. J. W. Ball)	2 50
Railroad fare (Rev. R. B. Wolf)	1 60
Railroad fare and postage (Rev. M. F. Troxell)	1 25

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. OTT,
R. B. WOLF,
H. L. YARGER,
M. F. TROXELL,
J. B. McAFEE.

Adopted.

The following brethren were introduced to the Synod:

Rev. W. R. Leper, of the United Presbyterian Church.

Rev. William H. Ackmann, of the Evangelical Zion Church.

Rev. A. O. Reiter, of the First Reformed Church.

Rev. W. A. Lloyd, General Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association.

The following brethren were received as advisory members:

Rev. R. Buechner, German Nebraska Synod.

Rev. A. Spiekerman, German Nebraska Synod.

Rev. B. Sickel, German Nebraska Synod.

The Ministerium was ordered to meet at 4 P. M. Friday.

An invitation was read coming from the Secretary of the city Young Men's Christian Association, extending the privileges of the local association to the members of Synod.

A vote of thanks was given by the Synod for the invitation.

Report of Correspondence Committee.

A letter from Rev. Alonzo J. Turkle, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Education, was placed in our hands, requesting that Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., be granted the opportunity to present to the Synod the needs of the Board of Education. The committee recommend that this request be granted and Dr. Troxell be heard.

Also a letter from the Deaconess Board requesting that Rev. J. A. Wirt, D. D., be granted the opportunity to present to the Synod the cause of the Deaconess Board. The committee recommend that this request be likewise granted.

Respectfully submitted,

A. LESHER,
B. F. PUGH,
W. F. POOT.

Adopted.

The following resolution was introduced by Rev. H. A. Ott:

Resolved, That it is the conviction of this Synod that the home finding feature should be incorporated in the name of the proposed Western Orphans' Home, so as to place an equal emphasis on home finding as may be placed on the housing of the children in an orphanage.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Minutes of Last Convention.

Your committee respectfully report as follows:

We find the Minutes, including the Treasurer's and Parochial Reports, in neatly printed form.

Many of the recommendations and instructions of Synod were complied with, as the Minutes indicate, but we inquire as to the following:

1. It was recommended that $300.00 be appropriated for Oklahoma City Mission. Was the entire amount secured and paid? $205.00 paid.

2. The delegates to General Synod were instructed to memoralize that body to establish a weekly Sunday school paper for the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Did they do this? Yes.

3. The Secretary was authorized to have 1,250 copies of Minutes printed, and include Minutes of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society. Did he do this? Yes.

4. As instructed by Ministerium, did the President see that the Treasurer's bond was properly executed and filed? Yes.

5. Did the Secretary, as ordered, have the Trustees properly qualified? Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. MILLER,
N. W. LILLY.

Adopted.

Report of Delegates to General Synod.

Your delegates are glad to report that after much solicitation and, on the part of a number, the traveling over various and circuitous routes, on account

of high waters and devastating floods, the majority were able to report for duty at the convention of the General Synod, held in Baltimore, June 3d to 11th, 1903.

We rejoice to say that on every side we heard it said that as a whole it was one of the most inspiring, pleasant, and hopeful conventions held for years. The reports of the various Boards indicated that the last biennium was the most prosperous in the history of the Church, all the Boards reporting an increase in proceeds over the previous two years. All measures presented were of a practical nature and looked forward to a larger growth and development of our beloved Zion. The representatives on our various Boards have all done their work well. The vigorous and enthusiastic way in which their work has been prosecuted has been observed and commented upon by other church bodies.

We briefly call attention to a few important features of the convention:

1. As the convention held at Des Moines has been spoken of as the "Home Mission Synod," this one may be designated as the "Educational Synod," marked emphasis being put upon this department of the Church's work.

A resolution was adopted which provided that a committee of five persons be appointed to consider the advisability and the feasibility of raising, during the next five years, one million dollars for the purposes of education in the General Synod. This committee, after considering the various features of the proposition, reported that it be the judgment of the body that it is both desirable and feasible to raise such a sum for educational purposes, and that a committee be named to devise and execute plans for raising the sum named. This committee was appointed. Representatives of this committee are present at this convention, and we suggest that they be heard on this subject.

One of the gratifying features was the telling speech made by Dr. F. D. Altman on behalf of Midland College, which resulted in the Synod making an appropriation of $6,500.00 to Midland College, which makes it possible for our college to pay all floating indebtedness.

2. It was with great interest that the Synod heard of the action of the Synod of Northern Illinois in the founding of the new orphanage of the West, and recommended to the other Synods further West to accept representation in the Board of Directors of the new institution when requested to do so.

3. An important resolution is the following: "That Lutherans, changing their place of residence, be urgently requested to take letters of transfer to the Lutheran congregation nearest their new home. That in case of the removal of parishioners the pastor of the church to which the person removing belongs should notify the pastor of the church in the new location of such removal, and shall furnish the person or persons changing their residence with letters of introduction to the pastor nearest their new place of abode."

4. The apportionment per capita remains the same as heretofore.

We recommend that all pastors not only read but study carefully the late Minutes of the General Synod, and that the pastors send to Henry S. Boner,

Philadelphia, Superintendent of our Publication Society, and secure a supply of the Report of the Committee on the State of Religion for distribution among their members.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. STAUFFER,
M. F. TROXELL,
J. C. JACOBY,
J. H. BERLIN,
H. A. OTT,
H. L. YARGER,
F. D. ALTMAN.

Adopted.

The following resolution was presented by Rev. J. M. Cromer:

Resolved, That inasmuch as the interests of our Church demand the perpetuity of Midland College and the Western Theological Seminary; and, inasmuch as Midland College had become encumbered with a heavy debt; therefore,

Resolved, That this Synod extend to Dr. Altman its hearty thanks for his able presentation of the case, and also to the General Synod for its liberal appropriation, covering the entire indebtedness.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

Your committee respectfully submit the following per capita apportionment:

General Synod	$0 03
Synodical Treasury	10
Home Missions	28
Foreign Missions	20
Church Extension	20
Board of Education	16
Ministerial Education	12
Pastors' Fund	07
Deaconess Board	07
Home for Aged	05
Total	$1 28

We recommend: That, should the proposed Orphans' Home within the bounds of the Synod of Northern Illinois be established and opened on or before June 1st, 1904, the Children's Day Offering be given to said institution.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. HERBST,
J. T. MILLER,
B. D. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

On motion of Rev. D. H. Cramer, the Parochial Committee was empowered to adjust the apportionments so that each item may end in zero or five.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION.

FRIDAY, 3 P. M.

Dr. J. H. Stough offered prayer.

Minutes were read and approved.

It was moved that a representative from this body bear greetings to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society and offer to have the Minutes of their meeting printed with those of the Synod without charge. Rev. J. M. Cromer was appointed.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies.

The report of your Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies must be of necessity unsatisfactory because of the removal of two members of the committee. The diffidence of the remaining member of the committee forestalls the offering of anything but a tentative report. Your committee realizes the importance of the subject assigned to it, but feels insufficiently clothed with power. Hence its work will lack definiteness and direction at present. The committee will formulate plans and movements to increase the efficiency of our Sunday schools and Young People's Societies. This, we apprehend, is within the province of the committee. The committee had inaugurated a movement to extend the usefulness of the Luther League into other bodies of our Church on the territory of our Synod, but this, unhappily, was thwarted by untoward circumstances.

We rejoice in the growing efficiency of our Sunday school and Luther League literature. As far as it goes it is excellent. We would be glad if the *Luther League Review* might give more help or more practical suggestions to the young people as to tried and successful methods of work—methods for leaders, methods for officers and committees. They wish to work, but scarcely know how.

The committee rejoices in the better adjustment of our lessons to the age of our Sunday school scholars. The committee desires to express the hope that our Sunday school editors or Publication Society might see their way clear to extend the graded lessons throughout the school. We could wish that provisions might be made to supply the schools that desire it the graded

lessons, such as the General Council supplies its schools, or on a different plan, as might seem most suitable.

The committee would also like to see the Sunday school used as a help in home mission work. We would commend to the Synod the organization and conduct of Sunday schools in places where churches might eventually be organized. Perhaps a Sunday school organizer might profitably be placed in the field, such as the Sunday School Union has successfully employed for years. This organizer need not be an ordained minister. In fact, an enthusiastic layman might answer the purpose much better than a minister. Seminary students might be profitably used during summer months in such work.

We commend the use of the Home Department as a method that may be used to increase the efficiency of the Sunday school—having tried it ourselves, though we have not been able to test thoroughly what possibilities lie in this expedient. Others have used it with splendid results, but they had efficient officers. For it, like other methods, will not work itself, but *must be worked*. We commend it to the brethren of Synod, who cannot but have the welfare of their schools at heart.

Respectfully submitted, H. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

It was moved by Dr. Yarger that the Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies be directed to confer with the Executive Committee of the Luther League of Kansas as to the advisability of holding a Young People's Convention during the ensuing year, composed of delegates from the churches and institutions of the Kansas Synod.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. Jacob A. Clutz, D. D.

MINISTERIUM.

FRIDAY, 4 P. M.

Dr. J. A. Wirt offered prayer.

Report of Examining Committee.

The following candidates have appeared before your committee:

For Ordination—Simon G. Knudten, a graduate of the Western Theological Seminary and now pastor of our Lutheran Church at Glasco, Kan.

For Licensure—J. F. Krueger, A. R. Betz, and J. H. Utesch, at present members of the Senior Class of the Western Theological Seminary.

We have carefully inquired into the fitness of these brethren to perform the duties of the office of the Gospel ministry, and would recommend:

1. That Simon G. Knudten be given ordination by this Synod.

2. That J. F. Krueger, A. R. Betz, and J. H. Utesch be granted license for one year.

3. That the act of ordination and licensure be held in connection with the Sunday evening services during this meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
J. HOWARD STOUGH,
JOHN A. M. ZIEGLER,
J. C. JACOBY,
C. E. WIRICK.

Adopted.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. J. A. M. Ziegler, D. D.

E. E. STAUFFER, *Secretary.*

Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23.

The Board met Friday afternoon in St. Joseph, Mo., and adjourned to meet in Atchison, Kan., Monday at 1.30 P. M., 1903.

The Board of Trustees met in Atchison, Kan., October 26th, 1903, at which time the newly elected members, J. P. Burtis, J. H. Berlin, and Rev. E. E. Stauffer, qualified.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for Rev. I. B. Heisey for President and Rev. E. E. Stauffer for Secretary.

The action of the Synodical meeting in St. Joseph, Mo., was confirmed, and the officers of Synod instructed to secure proper bond from the newly elected Treasurer.

Adjourned.

E. E. STAUFFER, *Secretary.*

EVENING SERVICE.

At the evening service the address was delivered by Rev. J. Howard Stough, Ph. D., on the "Church and Education."

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Devotional services by Rev. B. F. Pugh.

Rev. N. W. Lilly offered prayer.

Minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., was received as an advisory member.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

Your committee would report the following congregations on the funds of the Home Mission Board, and receiving the amount of aid per annum indicated:

Greenleaf and Barnes	$150 00
Beloit	150 00
Bunker Hill	100 00
Effingham and Valley Falls	175 00
Eureka	80 00
Garnett	150 00
Hays City	200 00
Hutchinson	275 00
Kansas City	500 00
Minneapolis	150 00
Oklahoma City, Okla. Ter.	500 00
Ottawa	84 00
Sedalia	340 00
St. Joseph, Mo	400 00
Wellington	100 00
Perth	50 00

We are glad to report that during the year the missions in Atchison became self-supporting, and paid $500.00 on debt. We congratulate these missions on this advanced step, and urge all our missions to work for this end as rapidly as possible. One new mission, viz.: Beloit, has been taken on the Board during the year. Perth also became self-supporting this year. Eureka reports 14 new members added during the year. The apportionment was fully met. The attendance on divine service has increased, and the outlook is encouraging.

Garnett. The future for this mission does not appear so bright. The missionary is laboring faithfully, but the members seem discouraged. The

interest-bearing debt is burdensome, and some feel that they must have relief or the work will have to close. $150.00 has been paid on this. We can only encourage them to hold on in the hope that a turn for better will soon be made.

St. Joseph, Mo. Extensive improvements have been made in this church building, members added to the church roll, and the general interest in the work increased. $1,000.00 of the interest-bearing debt has been paid, a pipe organ placed in the auditorium, and the missionary reports encouraging progress along the various lines of church work.

Sedalia, Mo. Our mission in this city has continued to suffer by removals from the city of its members; but some splendid new material has been added. About $950.00 of the interest-bearing debt has been paid during the year, and steps are being taken whereby the balance of $400.00 can also be paid in the near future.

Ottawa. By the purchase of the Methodist Church, our faithful band in Ottawa has come into possession of a large and beautiful church home. Repairs to the extent of $1,000.00 were made on the building before dedication. About $800.00 is subscribed toward the building of a parsonage. In general the work is in as good shape as can be expected. The pastor wishes to be relieved, but we trust will remain until a successor can be found.

Minneapolis. The work in this mission is moving along nicely considering the condition in which the missionary found it after so long a vacancy. The church is being improved by putting in furnace and electric lights, and is being painted throughout. Gradually the members are waking up to their responsibility, and we believe the outlook is most hopeful.

Hays City. This mission is in the midst of building a beautiful stone church structure which will cost about $7,000.00. Some new members have been added lately, and the promise for a large increase of members soon is bright.

Greenleaf, Barnes, and *Hutchinson* are now vacant, and from them we have no reports.

Bunker Hill. This mission has been vacant since June. The congregation in Bunker Hill is small and cannot do much, but the one at Excelsior presents an excellent field, and should be cultivated. It is to be hoped that work can be inaugurated soon in Wilson, and this point added to the Bunker Hill Mission.

Kansas City, Kan. We are glad to report that this mission has almost doubled its membership during the last year, and is in a hopeful condition. The great destruction of property by the flood of June last has delayed the securing of property for the present.

The Children's Memorial Congregation of Kansas City, Mo., being somewhat discouraged, and without a pastor, sent a request through the Secretary of the Church Council to our Committee to meet with the Council and talk over their situation, and give them our judgment as to what they should do.

A meeting was held in response to this request, July 16th, 1903, and, after due deliberation, the committee sent its advice and suggestions to the congregation by its Secretary.

Oklahoma City, Okla. Ter. From the verbal report of the missionary and from the remittances for benevolence, we can believe that good work was done in this mission during the year. We regret that the missionary has seen fit to resign this work so soon.

The Treasurer reports as follows on this work :

Balance on hand from last year	$0 55
Received during year on old subscriptions	19 50
Received during year on new subscriptions	$216 00
Total	$236 05
Paid to missionary	205 00
Cash on hand	31 05
Unpaid subscriptions	35 00
Assets	$66 05

We recommend that the Synod continue its support to this mission for another year, and that subscriptions be now taken from our congregations and individual members for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. HEISEY,
R. B. WOLF,
H. L. YARGER.

Adopted.

Dr. Altman was appointed to solicit funds on the floor of Synod, which he did with the following result :

Amounts Pledged for Oklahoma City.

A Friend	$50 00	Ottawa	$5 00
Atchison	10 00	Topeka	10 00
Abilene	10 00	Rev. N. W. Lilly	5 00
St. Joseph	10 00	Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D.	5 00
Whitewater	10 00	Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D.	5 00
Peabody	10 00	Rev. J. N. Zimmer	5 00
Hays City	10 00	Rev. J. H. Stough, Ph. D.	5 00
Grace Church, Kansas City	10 00	J. P. Burtis	10 00
Waterville Sunday School	5 00	Y. M. C. A., Midland	5 00
Norway	10 00	Jesse Schwartz	5 00
Effingham	10 00	Rev. I. B. Heisey	10 00
Emporia	10 00	Rev. J. J. Chambers	5 00
Kansas City, First	10 00	Friend of Dr. Altman	5 00
Lawrence	5 00	J. A. Bright	2 00

Moved that Dr. Yarger have charge of raising the balance necessary to complete this fund.

Report of Devotional Committee.

Appointments for Sunday services:

FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Morning—Rev. I. B. Heisey.
Evening—Rev. J. A. M. Ziegler, D. D.
Sunday School—Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., Mr. J. P. Burtis, Rev. J. A. Bright.
Young People's Society—Frederick R. Shirck, H. M. Martin, Rev. E. H. Combs, and Rev. C. F. Wiest.

FRANCIS STREET METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Morning—Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D.
Evening—Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D.

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Morning—Rev. J. H. Stough, Ph. D.
Evening—Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D.

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH.

Morning—Rev. E. E. Stauffer.
Evening—Rev. C. N. Swihart.

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Evening—Rev. C. E. Wirick.

MORAY.

Morning—Rev. J. J. Chambers.

KANSAS CITY, FIRST.

Morning—Rev. F. Bergstresser.

ST. JOSEPH YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. TROXELL,
R. B. WOLF,
JESSE SCHWARTZ.

Adopted.

Adjourned, with prayer by Mr. J. P. Burtis.

SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION.

1.30 P. M.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Altman.

Report of Committee on Literary and Theological Institutions.

The subject of "Higher Education" is of pressing interest to the Church. We are confronted by trying conditions in the maintenance of our institutions of learning. The importance of the problems we have to meet cannot be overstated. The State, in advancing her splendid system of popular education into the field of higher education, naturally comes into competition with the educational work of the Church. It is becoming more difficult on this account for the Church to maintain her collegiate institutions.

In order to offset this invasion of the time-honored sphere of the Church we are tempted to resort to various expedients.

We must somehow maintain our position as leaders in the field of higher education or we will forfeit our right to the field. The law of the survival of the fittest will settle the controversy. Our denominational schools must continue to offer and to give a superior education. We dare not yield the palm even to the State, with her splendid equipment, in this our field.

As a Church, we stand committed to the advancement of classical education, and we recognize no just ground for receding from this position. Whatever other courses we offer, we must vigorously maintain a broad, general culture, such as is offered in the schools of liberal arts.

Denominational colleges must be maintained for the following reasons:

1. They furnish a curriculum of study at least the equal of that of the schools supported by the State's aid, and their graduates are by no means inferior to those of public institutions.

2. Our Church schools alone intentionally create a superior moral and religious atmosphere, the one essential condition for making of true men and women out of our boys and girls.

3. We are dependent on our denominational schools to furnish the young men who shall prepare for the ministry.

We are pleased to note the cheering reports of the work being done at Midland College, as presented by our Synodical Trustees. We are also gratified at the number and character of the students in our Western Theological Seminary. Twenty-two young men were in attendance last year, three of whom graduated in May. One will be ordained and three licensed at this convention of Synod. A goodly number now in Midland College have the ministry in view. We have cause for rejoicing over the splendid results attained in both these institutions.

The problems that confront us, however, demand a vigorous support of both these schools by all our churches. There should be a concerted effort to

increase the number of students at the college and of young men for the ministry. The resolution of this Synod respecting prayer for the ministry is in keeping with this suggestion. The pastors should aid the college authorities in and encourage them to every legitimate effort for bringing the merits of our school to the attention of the public. We should not be satisfied with getting the children of the Church alone; we should do more to get a foothold in the High Schools of the State.

We need money. Our people should liberally support these schools. The Twentieth Century One Million Dollar Fund, inaugurated by the General Synod, is a move in the right direction. We should give it our vigorous support.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. M. ZIEGLER,
FULLER BERGSTRESSER,
HENRY ALBACH.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Vacancies.

Your Committee on Vacancies submit the following report:

The following charges are vacant: Atchison, Hutchinson, Wellington, Children's Memorial, Chapman, Perth, Manchester and St. James, Bunker Hill, Morrill, and Vinland.

Atchison, Perth, Barnes, and Greenleaf have extended calls to ministers.

Hutchinson, Chapman, Wellington, Manchester and St. James are corresponding with ministers with a view of securing them as pastors.

Children's Memorial is arranging with the President of Synod and the President of the Western Theological Seminary to be supplied from the said seminary.

Morrill is weak on account of the removal of families.

Vinland desires a pastor, but cannot afford to support one.

We recommend that the Secretary of Synod look after the last-named congregation and secure supplies as he can.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. CHAMBERS,
H. L. YARGER,
D. H. CRAMER.

Report of Committee on Absentees and Excuses.

Your Committee on Absentees and Excuses beg leave to report that they have received letters from the following:

Clerical—Revs. A. M. Geiger, D. D., R. B. Whitehill, W. A. Livers, S. Henry, S. Palmer, Jacob Schauer, L. C. Groseclose, J. B. McAfee, B. F. Hills, A. B. Kirtland, H. Heigerd, D. Scholl, A. J. Hartsock, Jonas Freet.

Lay Delegates—Messrs. Henry Lins, W. H. Smith, C. J. Ryde, D. W.

Witmer, George Vanpel, Charles E. Johnson, John Nelson, Theodore Meyer, A. F. Wessen, J. F. Beans, John Henning, J. A. Coble, E. J. Wolf, John H. White.

We recommend that these brethren be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. KISTLER,
A. PETERSON,
H. A. KOOGLE.

Report of Committee on Claims.

Your committee recommend that the following claims be allowed:

Rev. I. B. Heisey	$8 50
Rev. E. H. Combs	1 50
Rev. F. E. Stauffer	4 08
Rev. R. B. Wolf	9 05
Rev. H. A. Ott	3 60
Rev. J. W. Ball	2 50
Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D.	1 25
Total	$30 48

And we suggest that $5.00 be appropriated by Synod for the janitor of the church in which we convene.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. CHAMBERS,
J. FRANK PETTICREW,
J. H. BERLIN.

Adopted.

Tribute to Rev. David Earhart.

The Lord has called an aged servant to his reward. We desire to record our tribute to his worth:

Father Earhart was born in Pennsylvania, in February, 1818. He died at Kansas City, August 14th, 1903, at the advanced age of 85 years. He was the second Lutheran minister to locate on the territory of this Synod, coming to the State in 1857, and engaging in Home Mission work for thirteen years. Though at the time of his death a member of the General Coupcil, he was at the same time a member of our First Church at Kansas City, Mo.

Rev. J. B. McAfee, in his "Notes on English Lutheranism in Kansas," says: "To good Brother Earhart is due the credit of reorganizing on a strictly Lutheran basis, as well as keeping together the early Lutheran churches of Kansas." He exhibited in his life the spirit of conservative Lutheran loyalty in complete harmony with an inter-Lutheran fraternity.

We honor his memory as of a brother beloved, and we rejoice in the results of his faithful life. He has gone to a reward that is well earned, and to the call of the Great Head of the Church we bow in humble submission.

Respectfully submitted, JOHN A. M. ZIEGLER,
H. A. OTT,
J. C. JACOBY.

Adopted.

Rev. M. P. Hunt, of St. Joseph, was received as a corresponding member.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

We, your committee, beg leave to offer the following:

1. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our thanks to the pastor of this congregation, Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., and his Lay Delegate, and his large-hearted people and their friends for their royal and most hospitable entertainment of this Synod. Nothing that head could devise nor hand could supply has been spared for our comfort.

2. *Resolved*, That our gratitude is due to the choir for their excellent services rendered at our evening worship.

3. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our appreciation of the many favors shown us by the city press, to the City Street Railway Company for the elegant ride over the city, and to the Swift Packing Company for their considerate attention.

4. *Resolved*, That we request our President to express the thought of these resolutions to the public congregation at our Sunday evening services.

WHEREAS, The tendency to desecrate the Lord's day by Sunday excursions, Sunday baseball, and other phases of Sabbath desecrations is rife in our land:

Resolved, That, as a Synod, we deplore the patronage of the Sunday excursions and Sunday baseball, etc., on the part of our Christian people, and commend to them the propriety of abstinence, so far as possible, from every appearance of evil on the Lord's day, and, aside from the preaching of the Word on these subjects, we give special emphasis to them in our Sunday schools and Young People's Societies in the earnest hope that by Christian education we may secure a more general and better observance of God's day.

WHEREAS, One of the gravest problems of the Church has always been an adequate and efficient ministry of the Word, and now more than ever; therefore,

Resolved, That, as ministers of the Kansas Synod, we do hereby enter into covenant with each other to pray more earnestly for each other than ever before that the blessing of God may rest more abundantly upon our labors in our several pastorates. We also pledge ourselves to make it a special subject of prayer and labor that God will send more laborers into the harvest; that we preach upon this subject in the near future, and that we make more diligent

and prayerful search after such young men in our churches as may seem fit for the ministry.

Resolved, That we deeply deplore the increasing number of divorces; that we commend the effort to secure a common divorce law for all our States, and that in the near future all of our ministers be requested to preach upon the "Sanctity of the Home."

Resolved, That the degree of corruption in public officials, brought to light in both national and State affairs, is an occasion for our gravest concern; that all who are engaged in exposing and correcting this condition have our heartiest endorsement, and that as Christian citizens we do all within our power and consistent with our high calling in helping to secure God-fearing and law-abiding men for public office.

Resolved, That we express our anxiety over the strained relations between labor and capital, employe and employer, and that we seek to emphasize the fact in our preaching; that God is no respecter of persons, but is the Father of us all, and the Church is our common spiritual home.

Resolved, That, in the growing commercial spirit of our day, we have a dire enemy to the spiritual life of the Church and her institutions, and that we pray God to help us stem the tide of this encroaching evil and to cultivate a stronger spiritual vitality among our people.

Resolved, That in view of this mighty conquest against these sins of the world we give ourselves to more diligent and importunate prayer for a deeper work of grace in the hearts of all our people.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. JACOBY,
C. N. SWIHART,
ARNOLD SCHUHMACHER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Conference Minutes.

Within the year a profitable meeting was held in each of the Conference Districts.

We recommend that the officers of Synod be empowered to re-district our conferences and report at the next meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
ELMER H. COMBS,
J. FRANK PETTICREW.

Adopted.

Election of Trustees of Midland College.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for the re-election of Rev. I. B. Heisey and Mr. E. R. Worthington as Synodical Trustees of Midland College.

Rev. R. B. Wolf resigned as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Kansas Synod.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the body for the following persons as Trustees of Synod: Rev. I. B. Heisey, 1904; Rev. E. E. Stauffer, 1904; Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., 1904; Mr. J. H. Berlin, 1905; Mr. J. P. Burtis, 1905.

Rev. D. H. Cramer invited the Synod to convene in Eureka in 1904. The Secretary was instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the body in favor of accepting the invitation.

The minutes of the day were finally read and approved.

On motion of Rev. Wirick, Dr. J. A. Wirt was appointed to close with a short devotional service.

Adjourned *sine die*.

SATURDAY EVENING.

On Saturday evening addresses were delivered by Rev. J. A. Wirt, D. D., on the "Deaconess Work," and by Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., on the subject of "Church Extension."

SUNDAY.

The various pulpits of the city were filled by the visiting pastors, as assigned by the Devotional Committee.

At the evening service in the First Lutheran Church the Ordination Sermon was delivered by Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, D. D.

Simon G. Knudten was ordained, and J. F. Krueger, A. R. Betz, and J. H. Utesch were licensed to preach the Gospel.

E. E. STAUFFER,
Secretary.

APPENDIX A.—Report of the Treasurer

Congregations and Charges.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasurer.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.
Synod, 1902	$6 63	$22 20	$62 88	$44 20	$44 20	$35 36	$26 52	$15 47
Abilene, Trinity	4 92	16 40	45 92	32 80	32 80	26 24	19 68	11 48
Atchison, St. Mark's		65	3 35	1 67	3 25			
Barnes, Messiah	1 05	3 40	6 95	5 25	7 45	4 70	3 50	
Barnes, Greenleaf	1 00	2 00	15 28	5 09	7 00	4 00	2 00	
Beloit, Zion	1 00	4 00	10 85	5 60	7 65	6 50	5 00	2 00
Bunker Hill, Mt. Zion	1 52	5 20	14 28	10 20	20 20	8 16	6 12	3 57
Bunker Hill, Excelsior			3 50					
Bush City, Grace Lutheran	1 00	1 00	2 36			5 00	2 00	1 00
Chapman, Ebenezer	1 68	4 60	22 93	9 29	1 92	8 86	7 26	4 42
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	1 62	2 40	13 12	10 80	10 78	8 64	6 48	3 78
Effingham, First Lutheran	1 29	2 56	12 04		8 60	2 49		
Effingham, Valley Falls, St. Paul's	3 03	10 10	28 28	20 20	20 20	18 03	12 12	7 07
Emporia, St. Mark's	2 88	9 60	28 05	19 20	19 20	20 36	16 72	6 72
East Norway, Evangelical Luth	2 50	7 50	23 00	15 00	15 00	12 00	9 00	5 50
Eureka, Christ's		81	6 85	12 10	1 50	7 60	1 50	
Glasco, St. Paul's		1 53	11 25	5 00	4 00	1 00	2 00	
Garnett, St. Paul's						10 00		
Grace Lutheran, Kansas City, Mo.	3 46	11 29	7 67	9 50	3 00	2 00	9 40	2 00
Hays City, Trinity		50	1 00	19 65	13 00	10 07	4 28	3 65
Hutchinson, Zion				2 38	4 00			
Jerico, Bethel				1 78				
Jerico, St. James'	5 00	14 80	41 44	29 60	29 60	23 68	17 76	10 36
Kansas City, First Lutheran				9 87	5 00			
Kansas City, Mo., Children's Mem.				5 13		4 82		
Kansas City, Kan., First Lutheran	4 26	14 20	39 76	28 40	28 40	23 02	17 04	9 94
Lawrence, English Lutheran		80	4 12					
Banner City, St. James'		2 63	1 20	1 20	1 20	1 88	1 89	
Manchester, St. Paul's	1 05		17 50			5 00		
Minneapolis, St. Paul's								
Minneapolis, St. John's	1 00	5 00		11 11	3 00	2 00	3 00	2 00
Morrill, St. Paul's								
New Cambria, New Cambria	2 20	7 30	22 65	14 60	14 60	13 17	8 80	5 31
New Cambria, St. Paul's	1 00	3 20	8 96	6 40	6 40	6 46	3 85	2 50
Norcatur, St. Mark's	1 05	3 50	9 87	7 00	8 74	5 60	4 20	2 43
Norcatur, Long Island, St. Paul's		1 00	3 60	4 87	6 52	3 00	2 00	
Ottawa, St. Paul's	1 50	4 60	13 00	9 20	9 20	12 40	5 50	6 50
Oklahoma City, First Eng. Luth	1 08	3 60	10 08	7 20	7 20	5 76	4 32	2 52
Peabody, St. Paul's	4 38	14 60	42 63	29 20	36 91	30 00	17 52	10 22
Perth, St. James'	1 80	6 00	11 30	9 50	7 00	9 45	7 10	4 15
Salina, St. John's	4 89	16 30	45 64	37 60	26 54	25 08	19 36	
Sedalia, Mo., Trinity	2 73	9 10	25 48	18 20	18 20	14 26	10 92	6 31
St. Joseph, Mo., First Eng. Luth	4 50	14 00	45 00	30 00	30 00	25 00	17 00	10 00
Topeka, First Lutheran	16 15	25 05	51 40	55 02	41 00	37 80	24 60	16 05
Vinland, St. John's	87	2 90	8 12	5 80	5 80	4 64	3 48	2 02
Waterville, Evangelical Lutheran	3 63	12 10	33 88	24 20	24 20	19 36	14 52	8 47
Waterville, Hebron	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 00	4 80	3 60	2 10
Waterville, Walnut Township	1 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 60	3 00	1 00
Wellington, St. John's	2 43	8 10	14 85	2 30	4 80			
Whitewater, Zion	3 00	9 90	27 75	49 80	18 25	15 85	12 55	3 00
Totals by Congregations	$68 34	$204 07	$540 46	$619 64	$330 20	$479 03	$330 56	$165 47
Balances on hand, 1902	131 92	97 00	226 53	161 14	204 04	159 51	211 47	87 72
Grand Totals	$230 26	$301 07	$1067 01	$780 78	$754 24	$638 54	$542 43	$253 19
Disbursed as per Vouchers	226 50	215 38	912 93	715 00	650 00	435 00	375 00	130 00
Balances on hand	$3 76	$175 69	$154 08	$63 78	$104 24	$203 54	$167 43	$103 19

Salina, St. John's, protege in India	$25 00
Abilene, Trinity, Martin Luther Loan Fund	25 00
Rev. J. B. McAfee, Synodical Treasurer	5 00
Whitewater, Zion, protege	30 00
Topeka, First Church, protege	25 00
Emporia, Luther League, Twentieth Century Mission	15 00
Rev. A. B. Shrader	5 00
Rev. A. J. Hartsock	5 00
Mrs. Rose Sebers, Kansas Synod Professorship	25 00
J. P. Burtis, Midland College Building Fund	25 00
Norcatur, St. Mark's, Dr. Barnitz Memorial Fund	5 00
Rev. J. A. Bright, Oklahoma Mission	5 00

of the Kansas Synod for the Year Ending October 15, 1903.

Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Amount Apportioned.	Excess Over Apportionment.	Deficit Under Apportionment.	Midland College Building Fund.	Twentieth Century Oklahoma Mission.	Midland College Library.	Miscellaneous.	Grand Total.	Kansas Synod Professorship.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$38 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
$3 50	$25 47	$11 05	$286 38	$282 88	$0 50	.....	.....	25 00	.....	*$25 00	$336 38	.....
1 31	11 48	8 20	218 23	208 92	9 32	.....	.....	45 00	.....	.....	280 20	$26 97
.....	30	.....	11 32	20 80	.....	$9 48	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 32	.....
.....	.....	.....	32 30	43 52	.....	11 22	.....	5 00	.....	.....	37 30	.....
.....	1 00	1 00	38 37	51 20	.....	12 83	.....	2 00	.....	.....	45 37	5 00
4 00	1 00	1 00	48 60	46 08	2 52	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	48 60	.....
.....	3 57	2 55	65 27	65 28	.....	01	.....	5 00	.....	.....	70 27	.....
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59	.....	.....	12 95	48 64	.....	35 69	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 95	.....
.....	.....	1 60	52 36	65 28	.....	12 72	.....	.....	.....	.....	52 36	.....
3 00	3 78	2 75	75 15	69 12	6 03	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	81 40	1 25
.....	.....	.....	27 38	55 04	.....	27 66	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 63	1 25
.....	7 07	5 05	131 15	129 28	1 87	.....	$3 53	15 00	.....	$2 90	152 58	.....
.....	6 78	4 80	134 93	122 88	11 37	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	159 25	25 00
1 50	3 50	4 00	99 00	92 16	6 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	99 00	.....
.....	.....	.....	31 86	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$6 10	.....	37 96	.....
.....	.....	.....	24 78	43 52	.....	18 74	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 78	.....
.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....
5 25	1 00	.....	54 57	72 96	.....	18 39	.....	.....	.....	.....	54 57	.....
2 72	.....	.....	54 87	89 60	.....	34 73	.....	2 50	.....	.....	57 37	.....
.....	.....	.....	6 38	42 24	.....	35 86	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 38	.....
.....	.....	.....	1 78	39 68	.....	37 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 78	.....
.....	10 36	7 40	190 00	180 44	56	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	200 00	.....
.....	.....	.....	14 87	186 88	.....	172 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 87	.....
.....	.....	.....	9 95	53 64	.....	43 69	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 95	.....
.....	9 94	7 10	182 06	181 76	30	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	200 86	8 80
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.....	.....	.....	22 50	49 92	.....	27 42	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 50	.....
.....	1 00	1 00	29 11	65 28	.....	36 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 11	.....
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.....	6 00	4 00	98 63	93 44	5 19	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	108 63	.....
.....	2 50	1 60	42 87	40 90	1 97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42 87	.....
3 22	2 45	1 75	49 82	44 80	5 02	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64 82	15 00
1 47	.....	.....	22 46	49 92	.....	27 46	.....	5 00	.....	.....	27 46	5 00
2 00	.....	2 30	66 20	58 88	7 32	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	71 20	.....
1 78	2 52	1 80	47 80	46 08	1 72	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	52 80	.....
32 22	.....	7 20	224 88	186 88	37 56	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	268 88	86 00
.....	4 13	3 00	63 43	75 53	.....	12 10	.....	10 00	.....	.....	74 43	1 00
9 44	.....	.....	185 05	208 64	.....	23 59	.....	10 00	.....	.....	195 05	.....
.....	6 31	4 55	116 06	116 06	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	116 06	.....
8 10	10 00	7 00	200 60	177 92	22 08	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	225 60	5 00
7 48	5 00	5 00	284 55	262 40	22 15	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	284 55	.....
.....	2 03	1 45	37 12	37 12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 12	.....
.....	8 47	6 05	154 88	154 88	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	164 88	.....
.....	2 10	1 50	38 40	38 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38 40	.....
.....	1 00	83	29 43	44 80	.....	15 37	.....	.....	.....	.....	29 43	.....
.....	.....	.....	32 48	103 68	.....	71 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 48	.....
.....	3 00	3 75	146 85	126 72	20 13	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	201 85	40 00
$64 32	$131 25	$109 28	$3713 22	$4262 41	$159 43	$756 35	$3 53	$260 50	$6 10	$27 90	$4186 52	.....
30 05	115 67	62 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 41	37 55	.....	.....	1531 70	.....
$34 37	$246 92	$170 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	$10 94	$298 05	$6 10	$27 90	$5718 22	$213 27
78 00	100 00	90 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 94	280 00	.....	27 90	4490 72	213 27
$56 37	$86 92	$80 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$18 05	$6 10	.....	$1227 50	.....

* Luther League Loan Fund.

Respectfully submitted, J. P. BURTIS, *Treasurer.*

APPENDIX B.—PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.

Pastors' Names and Addresses.	Congregations, Names of.	PAROCHIAL. Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for the Ministry.	Catechumens.	Losses. Death.	Losses. Certificate.	Losses. Other Losses.	Accessions. Infant Baptisms.	Accessions. Adult Baptisms.	Accessions. Confirmations.	Accessions. Certificate.	Accessions. Restoration.	Communicant Membership.	Baptized but Unconfirmed Membership.	Total Membership.	Finances. Estimated Value of Church Property.	Finances. Indebtedness.	Finances. Local Expenses for all Objects.	Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.
Abilene, Fuller Bergstresser	Trinity	1	..	2	..	..	3	11	25	1	2	6	3	2	195	75	270	$10000 00	.....	$2850 77	1
Atchison, Fuller Bergstresser	St. Mark's	1	..	2	..	15	1	7	4	10	....	13	4	..	169	....	169	7000 00	$750 00	1542 30	
Beloit, C. G. Nielsen	Zion's	1	..	1	..	7	2	3	....	2	....	7	6	4	52	46	98	4500 00	150 00	1833 90	
Bunker Hill, J. N. Zimmer, Abilene	Mt. Zion	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	4	....	4	....	..	40	....	40	2000 00	400 00	138 00	
	Excelsior	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	2	....	8	....	..	59	....	59	2000 00	.....	339 00	
Chapman	Ebenezer	1	..	..	1	..	....	....	8	....	....	....	....	..	30	10	40	1500 00	25 00	22 00	
Effingham (Valley Falls), John M. Herbst	Scherer Memorial	1	..	1	..	..	1	7	13	....	....	....	....	..	30	15	45	2500 00	300 00	144 50	
	First Lutheran	1	1	2	..	..	....	2	....	....	....	....	1	..	53	8	61	2000 00	.....	320 78	
	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	1	....	....	2	....	....	....	..	42	14	56	2000 00	.....	378 38	
Emporia, Henry Zimmerman	St. Mark's	1	..	2	..	12	....	1	15	4	1	7	3	..	96	56	152	13500 00	2250 00	1946 52	
Atchison, J. A. Clutz	East Norway Ev. Luth.	1	..	..	..	10	2	2	....	6	1	1	2	..	96	50	146	3000 00	.....	420 00	
Eureka, D. H. Cramer	Christ's	1	..	1	..	14	....	....	14	1	....	6	7	..	71	13	84	7500 00	.....	712 48	
Garnett (Bush City), N. W. Lilly	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	3	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	..	34	....	34	5200 00	1350 00	51 10	
	Grace	1	..	1	..	..	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	..	14	....	14	.....	.....	28 00	
Glasco, Simon G. Knudten	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	13	2	....	4	3	....	....	2	2	103	89	192	4000 00	.....	546 40	
Greenleaf (Barnes)	Trinity	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	2	2	..	38	....	38	2000 00	.....	220 42	
	Messiah	1	..	..	..	..	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	..	18	....	18	1500 00	.....	103 37	
Hays City, Charles F. Wiest	Trinity	1	..	2	..	12	....	....	....	2	2	2	....	2	63	17	80	9000 00	900 00	730 96	
Hutchinson	Zion's	1	1	1	..	7	....	9	8	4	....	4	....	3	60	6	66	5000 00	1500 00	600 25	
Jerico, J. Frank Petticrew	Bethel	1	..	..	..	..	1	7	3	....	....	....	....	..	22	6	28	300 00	.....	85 61	
	St. James'	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	..	30	8	38	800 00	.....	26 84	
Kansas City, Mo., J. A. M. Ziegler	First Lutheran	1	..	1	..	20	4	2	15	2	2	9	12	..	150	35	185	50000 00	19500 00	4235 76	
Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial	1	..	2	..	5	14	4	40	3	1	5	2	..	96	55	151	20000 00	4500 00	1500 00	
Kansas City, Kan., S. B. Wolf	First Lutheran	1	..	..	..	8	1	....	2	5	2	4	11	10	57	28	85	.....	.....	459 55	
Lawrence, E. E. Stauffer	English Lutheran	1	1	2	..	14	....	5	8	10	....	8	7	7	135	63	198	6000 00	.....	1672 52	
Manchester (Banner City)	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	16	8	24	2000 00	300 00	140 00	
	St. James'	1	..	..	..	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	29	....	29	2000 00	.....	141 04	
Minneapolis, W. F. Foot	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	2	1	7	2	....	....	8	..	32	16	48	5000 00	150 00	380 00	
	St. John's	1	..	..	..	..	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	..	80	....	80	.....	.....	800 00	

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.—*Continued.*

Pastors' Names and Addresses.	Congregations, Names of.	Sunday Schools. Contributions.	Y. P. Societies. Contributions.	Benevolence.	Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.
Abilene, Fuller Bergstresser	Trinity	$ 00	$ 00	$ 00	1
Atchison, Fuller Bergstresser	St. Mark's	00	00	00	
Beloit, C. G. Nielsen	Zion's	00	00	00	
Bunker Hill, J. N. Zimmer, Abilene	Mt. Zion	00	00	00	
	Excelsior	00	00	00	
Chapman	Ebenezer	00	00	00	
Effingham (Valley Falls), John M. Herbst	Scherer Memorial	00	00	00	
	First Lutheran	00	00	00	
	St. Paul's	00	00	00	
Emporia, Henry Zimmerman	St. Mark's	00	00	00	
Atchison, J. A. Clutz	East Norway Ev. Luth.	00	00	00	
Eureka, D. H. Cramer	Christ's	00	00	00	
Garnett (Bush City), N. W. Lilly	St. Paul's	00	00	00	
	Grace	00	00	00	
Glasco, Simon G. Knudten	St. Paul's	00	00	00	
Greenleaf (Barnes)	Trinity	00	00	00	
	Messiah	00	00	00	
Hays City, Charles F. Wiest	Trinity	00	00	00	
Hutchinson	Zion's	00	00	00	
Jerico, J. Frank Petticrew	Bethel	00	00	00	
	St. James'	00	00	00	
Kansas City, Mo., J. A. M. Ziegler	First Lutheran	00	00	00	
Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial	00	00	00	
Kansas City, Kan., S. B. Wolf	First Lutheran	00	00	00	
Lawrence, E. E. Stauffer	English Lutheran	00	00	00	
Manchester (Banner City)	St. Paul's	00	00	00	
	St. James'	00	00	00	
Minneapolis, W. F. Foot	St. Paul's	00	00	00	
	St. John's	00	00	00	

Index Number.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS. Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Contributions. For Support of School and Local Objects.	For Benevolence.	Y. P. SOCIETIES. Number of Members, including Juniors.	Contributions. For Local Objects.	For Benevolence.	BENEVOLENCE. General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Woman's Missionary Society.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for the Aged.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
1	1	28	185	$677 26	$82 21	75	$60 91	.....	$6 63	$22 10	$86 88	$44 20	$69 20	$35 36	$26 52	$81 25	$15 47	$3 90	$15 47	$11 05	$14 00	$432 03	$3282 80
2	1	29	205	68 00	66 00	41	.....	.....	4 92	16 40	45 92	32 80	32 80	25 24	19 68	46 25	11 48	8 31	11 48	8 20	51 97	316 45	1858 75
3	1	10	52	8 41	13 43	15	12 40	$1 65	1 00	2 00	15 28	5 09	7 00	15 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	9 65	59 02	1892 92
4	1	10	50	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	6 85	5 60	5 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	5 00	32 10	170 10
5	1	13	80	35 00	.....	35	40 00	.....	.....	.....	8 70	6 90	9 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	29 60	388 60
6	1	9	50	22 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	8 00	30 00
7	1	13	65	30 00	.....	10	1 50	6 00	60	1 00	3 75	9 29	50	4 00	3 66	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	23 74	168 24
8	1	9	50	36 24	6 25	15	.....	.....	1 62	8 40	15 12	10 80	10 80	8 64	6 48	4 50	3 78	3 00	3 78	2 75	10 00	90 90	411 68
9	1	8	53	37 81	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 29	2 96	12 04	.....	8 60	2 49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	28 63	407 01
10	1	21	92	67 65	49 99	36	7 75	15 00	3 03	10 10	28 28	20 20	20 20	18 03	12 12	55 85	7 07	13 29	7 07	5 05	89 44	218 82	2165 34
11	1	15	57	10 99	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 88	9 60	28 05	19 20	19 20	20 36	16 72	37 60	6 72	.....	6 72	4 80	150 00	321 85	741 85
12	1	9	79	49 10	40 10	.....	.....	.....	2 50	7 50	23 00	15 00	15 00	12 00	9 00	27 50	5 50	.....	5 50	4 00	6 35	132 85	845 33
13	1	4	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 53	11 25	5 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 78	76 78
14	1	5	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	3 50	3 50	4 00	1 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	43 00
15	1	11	50	46 37	16 64	.....	.....	.....	.....	81	6 85	12 10	1 50	7 60	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 10	36 46	582 86
16	1	11	67	25 42	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 05	3 40	6 95	3 25	7 45	4 70	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 30	250 72
17	1	7	25	1 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	2 10	3 35	1 67	3 25	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 32	114 69
18	1	12	88	71 61	12 92	20	.....	.....	3 46	11 29	7 67	9 50	3 00	2 00	9 40	.....	1 00	5 25	1 00	1 00	.....	54 57	785 53
19	1	11	110	20 00	15 00	24	15 00	.....	50	1 00	19 65	13 00	10 07	4 28	3 68	.....	2 72	.....	1 00	.....	.....	57 37	657 72
20	1	6	50	15 26	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 37	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 37	90 98
21	1	8	40	10 82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 78	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 78	28 62
22	1	21	125	111 63	29 80	55	.....	.....	5 00	14 80	41 44	29 60	29 60	23 68	17 76	30 00	10 36	.....	10 36	7 40	51 57	271 57	4507 33
23	1	13	58	96 73	2 30	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	9 87	5 00	.....	.....	.....	15 27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 14	1540 14
24	1	10	70	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 60	.....	4 82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 42	469 97
25	1	21	202	171 55	30 66	23	16 25	.....	4 26	14 20	29 76	28 40	28 40	23 02	17 04	36 32	9 94	.....	9 94	7 10	8 80	227 18	1899 70
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							Losses.			Accessions.									Finances.			
		Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for the Ministry.	Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Other Losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communicant Membership.	Baptized but Unconfirmed Membership.	Total Membership.	Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for all Objects.	
Merrill	St. Paul's																					
New Cambria, J. J. Chambers	New Cambria	1	..	2	..	14	..	..	1	8	1	4	..	..	77	55	132	$3500 00	..	$330 41		
	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	1	4	..	..	33	16	49	1000 00	..	219 27		
Norcatur (Long Island), J. T. Miller	St. Mark's	1	..	1	..	13	1	..	..	3	2	5	..	..	42	18	60	2500 00	$300 00	490 96		
	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	10	..	..	..	4	..	3	..	6	38	15	53	1200 00	800 00	166 92		
Oklahoma City, O. T., Rene H. Williams	First English	1	1	..	..	10	..	7	5	3	4	20	2	..	50	26	76	5000 00	2500 00	1671 07		
Ottawa, B. F. Pugh, 414 Ash St	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	6	1	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	47	6	53	10000 00	..	1425 45		
Peabody, C. N. Swihart	St. Paul's	1	..	2	..	9	3	..	..	4	19	11	11	1	185	22	207	6500 00	..	1350 45		
Perth, W. A. Livers	St. James'	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	3	..	5	3	7	..	70	..	70	2500 00	..	449 00		
Salina, C. E. Wirick	St. John's Eng. Luth.	1	..	2	..	20	1	3	5	7	5	18	3	..	178	38	216	15000 00	..	2900 00		
Sedalia, Mo., J. C. Jacoby	Trinity Eng. Lutheran	1	..	2	..	8	1	6	19	4	2	5	..	..	72	21	93	7600 00	2400 00	888 15		
St. Joseph, Mo., M. F. Troxell	First Eng. Lutheran	1	..	2	..	12	1	2	3	6	4	9	7	2	153	37	190	15000 00	4000 00	2840 00		
Topeka, H. A. Ott	First Lutheran	1	..	2	..	12	3	9	9	3	3	8	10	3	208	40	248	15000 00	..	1456 00		
Vinland	St. John's	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	2	27	1500 00	..	10 00		
Waterville, I. B. Heisey	Evangelical Lutheran	1	1	1	3	..	1	1	10	4	..	1	6	..	116	46	162	4000 00	..	535 00		
	Hebron	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	..	..	..	..	27	27	54	2500 00	50 00	160 00		
	Eng. Evan. Lutheran	1	..	..	..	10	1	2	..	1	..	1	..	11	46	15	61	2000 00	..	75 00		
Wellington	St. John's	1	..	1	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	78	..	78	5000 00	..	189 34		
Whitewater, Elmer H. Combs	Zion's	1	..	2	..	8	..	7	10	1	..	2	5	..	89	21	110	2300 00	100 00	515 12		
Totals, 1903		47	5	41	4	283	54	108	239	116	66	175	114	47	3410	1015	4425	$272400 00	$41625 00	$18123 79		
Totals, 1902		45	4	41	5	313	34	86	154	159	100	198	98	51	3296	856	3716	239700 00	45807 50	82739 82		
Increase		2	1	..	..	..	20	22	85	..	..	..	16	6	114	179	709	$32700 00	..	$5383 97		
Decrease		..	..	..	1	30	..	..	..	43	44	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	$4182 50	..		

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		Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total Membership.	Value of Libraries.	Societies.	Active Members.	Associate Members.	Total Membership.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Other Objects.	
Merrill	St. Paul's													
New Cambria, J. J. Chambers	New Cambria	12	100	112	$100 00	1	20	10	30	$10 00	$10 00	$10 00	$10 00	
	St. Paul's	4	30	34	50 00	..	..	..	..	5 00	5 00	5 00	..	
Norcatur (Long Island), J. T. Miller	St. Mark's	6	50	56	50 00	..	..	..	..	5 00	5 00	5 00	..	
	St. Paul's	4	30	34	50 00	..	..	..	..	5 00	5 00	5 00	..	
Oklahoma City, O. T., Rene H. Williams	First English	10	100	110	100 00	1	15	5	20	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Ottawa, B. F. Pugh, 414 Ash St	St. Paul's	8	60	68	100 00	1	15	5	20	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Peabody, C. N. Swihart	St. Paul's	10	100	110	100 00	1	20	10	30	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Perth, W. A. Livers	St. James'	6	50	56	50 00	..	..	..	..	5 00	5 00	5 00	..	
Salina, C. E. Wirick	St. John's Eng. Luth.	12	100	112	100 00	1	20	10	30	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Sedalia, Mo., J. C. Jacoby	Trinity Eng. Lutheran	10	100	110	100 00	1	20	10	30	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
St. Joseph, Mo., M. F. Troxell	First Eng. Lutheran	12	100	112	100 00	1	20	10	30	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Topeka, H. A. Ott	First Lutheran	12	100	112	100 00	1	20	10	30	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Vinland	St. John's	4	30	34	50 00	..	..	..	..	5 00	5 00	5 00	..	
Waterville, I. B. Heisey	Evangelical Lutheran	10	100	110	100 00	1	20	10	30	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
	Hebron	6	50	56	50 00	..	..	..	..	5 00	5 00	5 00	..	
	Eng. Evan. Lutheran	8	60	68	100 00	1	15	5	20	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Wellington	St. John's	6	50	56	50 00	..	..	..	..	5 00	5 00	5 00	..	
Whitewater, Elmer H. Combs	Zion's	8	60	68	100 00	1	15	5	20	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	
Totals, 1903		141	1240	1381	$1850 00	12	253	113	366	$145 00	$145 00	$145 00	$120 00	
Totals, 1902		141	1240	1381	$1850 00	12	253	113	366	$145 00	$145 00	$145 00	$120 00	
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PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.—*Concluded.*

Index Number.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS. Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Contributions. For Support of School and Local Objects.	Contributions. For Benevolence.	Y.P. SOCIETIES. Number of Members, including Juniors.	Contributions. For Local Objects.	Contributions. For Benevolence.	BENEVOLENCE. General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Woman's Missionary Society.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for the Aged.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
1	1	20	210	$57 55	$4 00	53	$3 15	$22 60	$2 20	$7 30	$22 65	$14 60	$14 60	$13 17	$8 80	$5 00	$5 31	.....	$6 00	$4 00	$8 00	$115 63	$646 04
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7	1	9	60	46 50	37 80	26	42 50	.....	1 50	4 60	13 00	9 20	9 20	12 40	5 50	23 00	3 25	2 00	3 25	2 30	60 00	149 20	1574 85
8	1	14	83	85 89	61 67	20	.....	5 50	4 38	14 60	41 63	29 20	36 91	30 00	17 52	93 45	10 22	22 00	10 22	7 20	95 50	412 83	1763 28
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12	1	12	120	70 10	44 60	25	10 00	5 00	4 50	14 00	45 00	30 00	30 00	25 00	17 00	.....	10 00	8 10	10 00	7 00	35 00	235 60	3075 60
13	1	45	150	75 00	101 31	20	10 00	45 00	16 15	25 05	51 40	47 02	41 00	37 80	24 00	50 00	16 05	7 48	5 00	5 00	50 00	376 00	1832 00
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16	1	7	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 00	4 80	3 60	24 31	2 10	.....	2 10	1 50	.....	62 71	222 71
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48	45	526	3283	2569 79	766 39	674	424 58	124 52	98 61	269 97	837 18	597 19	573 81	452 52	316 36	731 95	153 78	87 32	141 30	104 05	837 33	5026 44	43150 23
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51	5	54	....	557 01	36 05	...	.....	17 16	19 61	34 86	78 96	92 30	128 71	13 32	58 41	20 43	15 55	.....	.....	5 19	200 65	473 53	5857 80
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Respectfully submitted, ELMER H. COMBS, C. N. SWIHART.

APPENDIX C.—Apportionment Table for 1903-1904.

Congregations and Charges.	Membership.	General Synod Treasury.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Totals.
Per capita	....	03	10	28	20	20	16	12	07	....	07	05	1 28
Abilene, Trinity	195	$5 85	$19 50	$54 60	$39 00	$39 00	$31 20	$23 40	$13 65	....	$13 65	$9 75	$249 60
Atchison, St. Mark's	169	5 05	16 90	47 30	33 80	33 80	27 05	20 30	11 85	....	11 85	8 45	216 35
Beloit, Zion's	52	1 55	5 20	14 55	10 40	10 40	8 30	6 25	3 65	....	3 65	2 60	66 55
Bunker Hill, Mt. Zion	40	1 20	4 00	11 20	8 00	8 00	6 40	4 80	2 80	....	2 80	2 00	51 20
Bunker Hill, Excelsior	59	1 75	5 90	16 50	11 80	11 80	9 45	7 10	4 15	....	4 15	2 95	75 55
Chapman, Ebenezer	30	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 00	4 80	3 60	2 10	....	2 10	1 50	38 40
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	30	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 00	4 80	3 60	2 10	....	2 10	1 50	38 40
Effingham, First Lutheran	53	1 60	5 30	14 85	10 60	10 60	8 50	6 35	3 70	....	3 70	2 65	67 85
Effingham (Valley Falls), St. Paul's	42	1 25	4 20	11 75	8 40	8 40	6 70	5 05	2 95	....	2 95	2 10	53 75
Emporia, St. Mark's	96	2 90	9 60	26 90	19 20	19 20	15 35	11 50	6 70	....	6 70	4 80	122 75
East Norway, Evangelical Lutheran	96	2 90	9 60	26 90	19 20	19 20	15 35	11 50	6 70	....	6 70	4 80	122 75
Eureka, Christ's	71	2 15	7 10	19 90	14 20	14 20	11 35	8 50	4 95	....	4 95	3 55	90 85
Garnett, St. Paul's	34	1 00	3 40	9 50	6 80	6 80	5 45	4 10	2 40	....	2 40	1 70	43 55
Garnett, Grace	14	40	1 40	3 90	2 80	2 80	2 25	1 70	1 00	....	1 00	70	17 95
Glasco, St. Paul's	103	3 10	10 30	28 85	20 60	20 60	16 50	12 35	7 20	....	7 20	5 15	131 85
Greenleaf, Trinity	38	1 15	3 80	10 65	7 60	7 60	6 10	4 55	2 65	....	2 65	1 90	48 65
Greenleaf (Barnes), Messiah	18	55	1 80	5 05	3 60	3 60	2 90	2 15	1 25	....	1 25	90	23 05
Hays City, Trinity	63	2 00	6 30	17 65	12 60	12 60	10 10	7 55	4 40	....	4 40	3 15	80 75
Hutchinson, Zion's	60	1 80	6 00	16 80	12 00	12 00	9 60	7 20	4 20	....	4 20	3 00	76 80
Jerico, Bethel	22	65	2 20	6 15	4 40	4 40	3 5.	2 65	1 55	....	1 55	1 10	28 15
Jerico, St. James'	30	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 00	4 80	3 60	2 10	....	2 10	1 50	38 40
Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran	150	4 50	15 00	42 00	30 00	30 00	24 00	18 00	10 50	....	10 50	7 50	192 00
Kansas City, Mo., Child'n's Mem'l	96	2 90	9 60	26 90	19 20	19 20	15 35	11 50	6 70	....	6 70	4 80	122 75
Kansas City, Mo., Grace	135	4 05	13 50	37 80	27 00	27 00	21 60	16 20	9 45	....	9 45	6 75	172 80
Kansas City, Kan., First Lutheran	57	1 70	5 70	15 95	11 40	11 40	9 10	6 85	4 00	....	4 00	2 85	72 95
Lawrence, English Lutheran	135	4 05	13 50	37 80	27 00	27 00	21 60	16 20	9 45	....	9 45	6 75	172 80
Manchester, St. Paul's	16	50	1 60	4 50	3 20	3 20	2 55	1 90	1 10	....	1 10	80	20 45

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Per capita	....	03	10	28	20	20	16	12	07	....	07	05	1 28
Manchester (Banner City), St. James'	29	$0 85	$2 90	$8 10	$5 80	$5 80	$4 65	$3 50	$2 05	....	$2 05	$1 45	$37 15
Minneapolis, St. Paul's	32	95	3 20	8 95	6 40	6 40	5 10	3 85	2 25	....	2 25	1 60	40 95
Minneapolis, St. John's	50	1 50	5 00	14 00	10 00	10 00	8 00	6 00	3 50	....	3 50	2 50	64 00
Morrill, St. Paul's	17	50	1 70	4 75	3 40	3 40	2 70	2 05	1 20	....	1 20	85	21 75
New Cambria, New Cambria	77	2 30	7 70	21 55	15 40	15 40	12 30	9 25	5 40	....	5 40	3 85	98 55
New Cambria, St. Paul's	33	1 00	3 30	9 25	6 60	6 60	5 30	3 95	2 30	....	2 30	1 65	42 25
Norcatur, St. Mark's	42	1 25	4 20	11 75	8 40	8 40	6 70	5 05	2 95	....	2 95	2 10	53 75
Norcatur (Long Island), St. Paul's	38	1 15	3 80	10 65	7 60	7 60	6 10	4 55	2 65	....	2 65	1 90	48 65
Oklahoma City, First Eng. Luth.	50	1 50	5 00	14 00	10 00	10 00	8 00	6 00	3 50	....	3 50	2 50	64 00
Ottawa, St. Paul's	47	1 40	4 70	13 15	9 40	9 40	7 50	5 65	3 30	....	3 30	2 35	60 15
Peabody, St. Paul's	185	5 55	18 50	51 80	37 00	37 00	29 60	22 20	12 95	....	12 95	9 25	236 80
Perth, St. James'	70	2 10	7 00	19 60	14 00	14 00	11 20	8 40	4 90	....	4 90	3 50	89 60
Salina, St. John's	178	5 35	17 80	49 85	35 60	35 60	28 50	21 35	12 45	....	12 45	8 90	227 85
Sedalia, Mo., Trinity	72	2 15	7 20	20 15	14 40	14 40	11 50	8 65	5 05	....	5 05	3 60	92 15
St. Joseph, Mo., First Eng. Luth.	155	4 65	15 50	43 40	31 00	31 00	24 80	18 60	10 85	....	10 85	7 75	198 40
Topeka, First Lutheran	208	6 25	20 80	58 25	41 60	41 60	33 30	24 95	14 55	....	14 55	10 40	266 25
Vinland, St. John's	25	75	2 50	7 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	3 00	1 75	....	1 75	1 25	32 00
Waterville, Evangelical Lutheran.	116	3 50	11 60	32 50	23 20	23 20	18 55	13 90	8 10	....	8 10	5 80	148 45
Waterville, Hebron	27	80	2 70	7 55	5 40	5 40	4 30	3 25	1 90	....	1 90	1 35	34 55
Waterville (Walnut Twp.) English Lutheran	46	1 40	4 60	12 90	9 20	9 20	7 35	5 50	3 20	....	3 20	2 30	58 85
Wellington, St. John's	78	2 35	7 80	21 85	15 60	15 60	12 50	9 35	5 45	....	5 45	3 90	99 85
Whitewater, Zion's	89	2 70	8 90	24 90	17 80	17 80	14 25	10 70	6 25	....	6 25	4 45	114 00
Total	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4587 85

Respectfully submitted, J. M. HERBST, J. T. MILLER.

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AUXILIARY SOCIETIES AND DATES OF ORGANIZATION.

Northeast Conference.

Atchison	1885
East Norway	1881
Effingham	1893
Kansas City (First Church)	1884
Kansas City (Memorial)	1884
Lawrence	1886
Leavenworth	1899
Ottawa	1885
Topeka	1880

Northwest Conference.

Abilene	1880
Bunker Hill	1898
Hebron	1879
Minneapolis	1895
New Cambria	1888
Norcatur	
Salina	1882
Waterville	1879

Southwest Conference.

Emporia	1885
Eureka	1898
Hutchinson	1889
Peabody	1885
Perth	1894
Whitewater	1889
Wellington	1900

MINUTES OF THE

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

SYNOD OF KANSAS,

CONVENED IN THE

FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH, ST. JOSEPH, MO.,
OCTOBER 22 AND 23, 1903.

FIRST SESSION.

After cordial welcomes of the evening before and the inspiring opening session and Communion of Synod, which was attended by a large number of the officers and delegates of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod, the meeting of 1903, the Twenty-third Annual Convention, was opened in Francis Street Methodist Church, St. Joseph, Mo.

Devotional services were conducted by Mrs. Ziesenis, of Lawrence, "We are laborers together with God" (1 Cor. iii. 9).

The President, Mrs. T. L. Bond, called the meeting to order, using Psalm 93.

Mrs. Jacob Schauer offered prayer.

Recording Secretary being absent, Miss Maedel was elected Secretary *pro tem.*

Roll of Officers, Delegates, and Visitors.

Abilene—Mrs. O. J. Peters and Mrs. H. L. Humphreys.

Atchison—Mrs. Jacob Schauer, Mrs. H. L. Yarger, Mrs. Howard Schauer, Mrs. J. P. Adams, and Mrs. Carl Krueger.

Atchison (Midland College)—Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, Miss Pearl Treitschke, and Miss Nellie M. Young.

Beloit—Mrs. C. G. Nielsen.

Emporia—Mrs. John Hoffer and Mrs. H. Zimmerman.

Eureka—Mrs. M. L. Erickson.

Hutchinson—Mrs. Anna Leidigh.

India—Miss Anna E. Sanford.

Kansas City, Mo.—Mrs. H. George, Miss Maedel, and Mrs. Ensminger.

Kansas City, Kan.—Mrs. R. B. Wolf.

Lawrence—Mrs. C. J. Eriksen, Mrs. Charles Ziesenis, and Miss Clara Hase.

Moray—Mrs. N. L. Nelson, Mrs. Oscar Nelson, and Mrs. Harding.

Ottawa—Mrs. B. F. Pugh.

Salina—Mrs. T. L. Bond, Mrs. C. E. Wirick, and Mrs. E. Donmeyer.

Topeka—Mrs. H. A. Ott, Mrs. J. A. Bright, and Mrs. S. H. Price.

Waterville—Mrs. I. B. Heisey, Mrs. J. P. Burtis, and Mrs. E. Runkle.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Mrs. M. F. Troxell and Mrs. Brightman.

Independence, Iowa—Mrs. Cilley.

New York City—Mrs. U. S. Spahr.

The cordial words of welcome spoken by Mrs. M. F. Troxell were responded to by Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, Midland College, Atchison.

President's Address.

Dear Sisters and Friends: Once more we assemble in convention. Once more we are permitted to gather together in the interest of the cause of missions and look into the faces of those grown dear to us through association in this work. Here we will unite our voices in praise and prayer, and

mingle with our plans for the spread of the Gospel, the renewal of old ties of friendship and the formation of new ones.

With each returning convention we are reminded anew of the fact that the rapidly revolving years produce many changes. I have been much impressed with this thought throughout the year, for of those who labored with us ten or twelve years ago many are now actively at work in other fields and amid different associations, and some have been transferred to the heavenly kingdom. New workers have arisen whom we are all glad to know, and we hope their number may be vastly multiplied, but nevertheless we do not forget the old friends, and to-day we lovingly recall and remember them and perhaps dash away a tear because life is so full of changes and separations. But all the old-time friends are not gone—there yet remain as interested workers some of the charter members of the organization, and others who have long been faithful members of the Kansas Synodical Society. We trust their faces may be seen at many future conventions, and that they will continue to aid and strengthen this organization by their active interest and prayers for yet many years.

THE GENERAL SOCIETY.

The work of the General Society is in a prosperous condition. The last good news received was that a young woman of excellent qualifications had been appointed as a new medical missionary to India, and would soon sail for that far-away land and give the benefit of her skill and knowledge to our hospital work, although she is of another denomination. This is a beautiful illustration of Christian unity and co-operation. At the Pittsburg Convention the reports made all indicate progress. The special objects in the home-field, or our home missionary work, have been faithfully supported by the societies and are all reported favorably. The work in the foreign field is full of gratifying success and enlargement. Sickness and death have not depleted the ranks of our missionary force of late—and for this blessing we are all truly grateful.

The work is growing so rapidly that it has become necessary to map out large plans for future operations. In order that each phase of the work may receive the attention it requires, departments have been created and Secretaries appointed. These departments are five in number, and embrace the different lines of activity through which advancement and enlargement of the work must come. Each Synodical Society is expected to appoint a Secretary for each one of these departments, and each Auxiliary likewise.

The literature provided by the General Literature Committee is not as freely used as it should be. If there was more reading and studying done there would be greater interest in the work. The circular letter recently sent out by the committee, a copy of which you have received, should be given prayerful attention and the suggestions it contains followed. The *Missionary Journal* should be in every home in the Church, at least in every home which contains a member of the Missionary Society, and read from cover to cover.

It is an excellent plan to have different members of the society review the *Journal* at the monthly meeting.

THE SYNODICAL WORK.

The year just passed—what shall we say of its record in our own Synodical work? Shall we call it good and be content, or shall we say it is good, but we can do better? In looking over the reports I find both encouraging and discouraging features in our work. Taken as a whole, the amount of money given is slightly in excess of that of a year ago—this is due to the increased amount given by a few and the contributions from our new societies. It is commendable to have done so well in this year of disastrous floods and dire distress in our State.

In some of the Auxiliaries marked progress is noticeable, in others a little falling off is apparent. Various causes and circumstances effect these changes in our local organizations, but it is not wise to conclude that matters must remain as they are if they are not satisfactory. I trust we may none of us have that spirit which is easily satisfied and content if only enough attention is given to the monthly meeting to insure its being held and some kind of a programme rendered. We don't get good results in any line of work without previous thought and preparation.

Let us set for ourselves high ideals in our Christian service and strive to attain them. The little bands of women who compose our Auxiliary Societies may be and should be centres of religious influence and life. The meetings should be of such a character that those attending will return to their homes strengthened for better service and interested more deeply in the cause of missions.

I am pleased to report a gain in the number of Auxiliary Societies. At Oklahoma City, Okla., Hanover, and Salina, we have new organizations. In Oklahoma City they organized in February last. Your President was fortunately able to be with those good people on the day of organization. It would be very helpful to our work if someone could visit and encourage the various societies and help in arousing and keeping up an interest in our work. Hanover bears the proud distinction of having the largest list of active members of any woman's society on our list.

At Salina, the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor has complied with the constitutional requirements that makes them auxiliary to this body. These new societies are all warmly welcomed, and we trust they may continue to grow and become strong and ever be found among the best societies we have.

The thank-offering for the past year is better than that of the previous year—being ten dollars more. Ten dollars, you say, isn't much of an improvement? Well, that may be as one views it. Suppose, for instance, you should think of that ten dollars as 1,000 pennies and each penny representing a soul making an offering to the Lord for some gracious benefit, wouldn't it

impress you with the feeling that it represented a multitude of mercies and was really a great gift and gain? Of one thing I feel assured. Our thank-offerings will not be reckoned in heaven by their amount in dollars and cents, but by the spirit and motive which prompted the offering. It seems to me that the money we give to missions by means of the thank-offering must receive a greater blessing than any other money we give, and will accomplish perhaps a more benign result.

One of the discouraging features of our year's work is the failure to raise the sum necessary to support a bed in the India Hospital. I know you will join with me in expressing regret over this circumstance. There is probably good reason for this failure. I am not willing to believe the cause is either indifference or on account of the removal to another State of our Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Ball, who was obliged to resign her position. It was with much regret that her resignation was accepted. Miss Lena Korn, of the Kansas City Memorial Church, was appointed as her successor. She has received the reports of the last quarter and will present the Annual Report this morning.

In closing, let me thank you all for kindly aid and co-operation in the work of the year.

First Vice-President's Report, Northeast Conference.

It is with pleasure that we report a regularly organized Mission Band in the Sunday school at Atchison. While the primary department has for some years contributed to the work, they were not organized and did not hold meetings regularly. October 18th, 1903, is the date of organization.

The German Lutherans of Hanover applied in June for information and documents with reference to organization, and since then they have a flourishing society, interested in all branches of our work.

In correspondence with the societies we received, in the most part, encouraging news. Some of the congregations, where there are no societies, do not yet feel it time to organize.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. MILDRED YARGER.

Second Vice-President's Report, Northwest Conference.

Concise and methodical reports are the apparent need of the hour.

"Work and Report" should be our watchword.

But little progress has been reported for the past year; however, we have been encouraged, by letter and word, to believe new Auxiliaries may be organized during the coming year.

"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.

"And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth the fruit unto life eternal."

Respectfully submitted, MRS. LULA J. BURTIS.

Third Vice-President's Report, Southwest Conference.

We are glad to say the societies we have heard from give very encouraging reports of their year's work. A number of new members have been gained.

One society reports that "they had dwindled down to almost nothing, no interest whatever; now we meet regularly, nearly every member present at each meeting."

We regret to say the society at Wellington has given up, after only a few months' existence. We trust there are still a few embers that may be fanned into a flame of missionary zeal and accomplish something for the Master.

We have every reason to feel encouraged from the reports we have received from societies.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. JOHN HOFFER.

Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer reported. (See pages 56 and 57.)

Report of Auditing Committee.

Your committee has checked over the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correct.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. H. GEORGE,
MISS JOSEPHINE MAEDEL.

Historian's Report.

With thanks to our heavenly Father for His loving kindness and tender mercies during the year that has just passed into history, we are again permitted to assemble and plan the work for another year. In quick succession the years come and go, and the command to "Go forward" allows no resting time.

Your Historian has added to the historical collection the *Missionary Journal*, *Mission Studies* for 1903, Minutes and Programme of the Last Convention at Salina, Minutes of the General Convention at Pittsburg, and Souvenir Programme. Items from church papers and reports pertaining to our work have been clipped and added to Scrap Book.

No additional names have been added to the list of life members.

As we stand at the opening of a new year, no gift of prophecy is needed to forecast probable demands; they are already upon us. Let us rally to the support, and our history will be one of encouragement, inspiring us to better work in the future, giving God the glory.

IN MEMORIAM.

Mrs. R. H. Diehl, a charter member of the society at Salina, departed this life January 1st, 1903. As the bells tolled out the old year, her spirit

passed to the great beyond. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord; henceforth shall they rest from their labors."

Respectfully submitted, OLIVE J. PETERS.

Report of Literature Committee.

Your Committee on Literature beg leave to report as follows:

Orders for *Mission Studies* were received from the following Auxiliaries: Atchison, 7; Abilene, 2; Peabody, 1; Whitewater, 1; Hutchinson, 2; Waterville, 1; Waterville (Hebron), 1; Wilson, 1; Topeka, 1; Minneapolis, 1; Emporia, 2; Salina, 2; Greenleaf, 1; Kansas City Memorial, 1; Lawrence, 2; Ottawa, 1; Moray, 1; Eureka, 3; Oklahoma City, Okla., 1; total, 32.

Orders for Tracts were received from the following societies: Waterville (Hebron), Peabody, Topeka, Minneapolis, Emporia, Salina, Greenleaf, Waterville, Abilene, Atchison, Ottawa, Moray, Eureka, Oklahoma City, Kansas City Memorial; total, 15.

I am happy to report that the interest for missionary literature is growing. I have mailed from 18 to 20 tracts each month, and sent out free literature to congregations not organized.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Cash on hand October 1st, 1902	$0 94
By appropriation	5 00
For sale of literature at Salina	1 05
For 32 *Mission Studies*	8 00
For 12 Tracts	3 00
For subscriptions, 6 *Missionary Journals*	1 50
Total	$19 49

Disbursements.

To Miss A. K. Dosh, 32 *Mission Studies*	$8 00
To Miss A. K. Dosh, literature	2 01
To Miss A. K. Dosh, Tracts	1 27
To Henry S. Boner, 6 subscriptions to *Missionary Journal*	1 50
For postage and stationery	3 97
Balance on hand October 1st, 1903	2 74
Total	$19 49

Respectfully submitted, OLIVE J. PETERS.

Report of Committee on Endowment Fund.

I endeavored to ascertain sentiment of Synod as to the endowment of bed in India Hospital. I wrote to twenty-two different churches and societies. Received eight replies. Some were very encouraging, others not so.

Considering all things, we might report progress.

Respectfully submitted, Miss ANNA LEIDIGH.

Annual Report of Corresponding Secretary for Year Ending September 20, 1903.

Number.	Synodical Societies.	Organized.	Presidents of Societies.	Members. Active.	Honorary.	Cradle Roll.	Life.	Corresponding Secretaries.	Average Attendance.	Journals.	Children's Missionary.	Time of Meetings.	Amount Sent to General Treasurer.
1	Abilene	1880	Mrs. O. J. Peters	24	..	..	..	Mrs. H. L. Humphreys	15	22	..	Second Tuesday	$59 85
2	Atchison	1885	Mrs. H. L. Yarger	29	1	9	2	Mrs. H. M. Jackson	12	19	50	First Thursday	41 65
3	Eureka	1898	Mrs M. L. Erickson	10	..	..	..	Mrs. D H. Cramer	7	8	..	First Wednesday	12 25
4	Emporia	1885	Mrs. Henry Zimmerman	13	4	5	..	Mrs. Luther Myser	7	12	40	First Wednesday	43 02
5	Hanover	1903	Mrs. Mary Pannbacker	35	..	..	..	Mrs. Mary Pannbacker	16	1	..	First and Third Friday	17 50
6	Hebron	1879	Mrs. Sarah Klatler	8	2	..	..	Mrs. Lura E. Rice	5	7	..	Second Thursday	10 81
7	Hutchinson	1889	Mrs. Jennie Armstrong	11	..	..	1	Mrs. Julia Little	7	10	..	First Thursday	13 30
8	Kansas City, First	1884	Mrs. H. Gurge	19	..	..	..	Mrs. J. A. M. Ziegler	12	13	..	First Thursday	40 40
9	Kansas City, Memorial	1884	Miss Hester Sappenfield	8	3	..	1	Miss Josephine Maedel	9	5	..	First Thursday	15 37
10	Lawrence	1886	Mrs. Emma Ziesenis	14	..	8	1	Miss Belle Schell	7	10	40	Last Friday	26 50
11	Minneapolis	1885	Mrs. M. J. Bardonner	7	..	..	..	Mrs. Carrie Goucher	4	7	..	First Wednesday	7 50
12	Moray	1881	Mrs. William Zimmerman	17	..	..	..	Mrs. Anna Hardy	8	13	..	First Thursday	31 50
13	Oklahoma City	1903	Mrs. R. H. Williams	17	..	..	..	Mrs. A. Goodholm	7	12	..	Last Tuesday	4 50
14	Ottawa	1885	Mrs. A. G. Eggers	7	3	..	..	Mrs. B. F. Pugh	9	11	25	First Wednesday	14 10
15	Peabody	1885	Mrs. Hattie Brown	25	..	..	..	Mrs. Phebe Bender	7	25	25	First Wednesday	79 95
16	Perth	1902	Mrs. Kate Overholtzer	16	2	..	..	Mrs. Mary Mickley	9	6	..	First Saturday	5 80
17	Salina	1882	Mrs. C. E. Wirick	23	..	20	2	Mrs. M. A. Nothstein	12	18	40	Second Thursday	46 70
18	Topeka	1881	Mrs. Lydia A. Ott	27	1	..	5	Mrs. S. H. Price	9	22	..	First Wednesday	48 40
19	Waterville	1879	Mrs. I. B. Heisey	17	3	..	1	Miss Ada Livers	6	11	..	Second Saturday	31 23
20	Whitewater	1889	Mrs. M. A. Acker	9	2	..	..	Mrs. Minnie Beans	8	10	..	Second Wednesday	17 65
	Totals			336	21	42	13			242	220		$576 78
	Young People's Societies.												
1	Midland College, Atchison	1890	Miss Pearl Treitschke	21	..	..	..	Miss Ethel Woods	19	1	1	Second Sunday	11 40
2	Salina	1903		..	..	..	..	Miss Marian Steck	..	..	..		..
	Mission Bands.												
1	Emporia	1894	Mrs. H. Zimmerman	19	..	..	..	Miss Mary Altman	17	..	..	First Sunday	4 50
2	Lawrence	1887	Clara Hase	51	..	..	..	Nettie Lesher	34	..	..	Second Sunday	10 59
3	Peabody	1903	Anna Deitrick	16	..	..	..	Mrs. C. N. Swihart	10	..	..	Second Sunday	5 50
4	Atchison		Supt. Mrs. H. L. Yarger	55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Second Sunday	9 59
	Totals			141									$30 18
	Grand Totals			498	21	42	13			243	221		$618 36

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HENRY ZIMMERMAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Report of Treasurer, Kansas Synodical W. H. and F. M. Society, for the Year Ending September 20, 1903.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HENRY ZIMMERMAN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Report of Treasurer, Kansas Synodical W. H. and F. M. Society, for the Year Ending September 20, 1903.

Name of Society.	General Fund.	Synodical Treasury.	Thank-Offering.	India Hospital Bed.	Immanuel's, Chicago.	E. V. Day School, Africa.	Miss Fahs, India.	Redlands, Cal.	Rensselaer, N. Y.	Totals.
Balance on hand last year		$28 56								$28 56
Collection, Salina		6 87								6 87
Abilene	$31 05	5 15	$13 50	$5 00	$2 00			$4 15	$4 15	63 00
Atchison	25 90	3 50	12 75		3 00					45 15
Eureka	12 25	1 10								13 35
Emporia	17 05	3 10	19 87	2 90		$1 25			1 95	46 12
Hebron	13 05	1 50	3 00	1 60	80			1 36		21 31
Hanover	17 50									17 50
Hutchinson	9 25	1 20	2 05	2 00						14 50
Kansas City, Mo., First Church	35 40		5 00							40 40
Kansas City, Mo., Memorial	12 27	1 50	1 30	1 00	80					16 87
Lawrence	16 50	1 75	9 00		1 00					28 25
Moray	20 10	1 60	4 90		1 90			2 50	2 50	33 50
Minneapolis	6 00	80	1 00		50					8 30
Ottawa	7 70	95	6 40							15 05
Oklahoma	4 50									4 50
Perth	5 20									5 20
Peabody	30 60	5 10	7 50	5 00	3 65	25 00		4 10	4 10	85 05
Salina	27 60	4 40	9 10		5 00				5 00	51 10
Topeka	32 40	5 40	8 00	3 00	2 00			3 00		53 80
Whitewater	10 35	1 70	1 65		2 80			1 40	1 45	19 35
Waterville	13 50	2 70	8 92	1 60	1 60			2 81	2 80	33 93
Young People's Society, Midland College	9 40		2 00							11 40
Mission Band, Atchison	6 49						$3 10			9 59
Mission Band, Emporia	2 94		1 56							4 50
Mission Band, Peabody	5 50									5 50
Mission Band, Lawrence	10 59									10 59
Total Receipts	$383 09	$76 88	$117 50	$22 10	$25 05	$26 25	$3 10	$19 32	$21 95	$695 24
Total Disbursements	383 09	53 76	117 50	22 10	25 05	26 25	3 10	19 32	21 95	672 12
Cash on hand September 28, 1903		$23 12								$23 12

Respectfully submitted,

LENA KORN, *Treasurer.*

Reporters.

The following Reporters were appointed:

Local Papers—Miss Pearl Treitschke and Miss Nellie Young.
Observer—Mrs. Helen C. Beegle.
Evangelist—Mrs. Olive J. Peters.
World—Mrs. H. Zimmerman.
Journal—Mrs. H. L. Yarger.

Money Received by Synodical Treasurer Too Late for Regular Report.

	General Fund.	Synodical Fee.	Bed in India.
Minneapolis	$1 50	$0 30	$2 00
Hutchinson	3 75	55	.....
Ottawa	5 45	50	.....
Salina, Kan	.....	1 10	.....
Young People's Society, Midland	.....	1 60	.....
Total	$10 70	$4 05	$2 00

Rev. Luther P. Ludden addressed the meeting. In his remarks he commended the women for their energetic and confident spirit, which led them on to surprising successes in their work. He also spoke of the box-work and its value to the recipient.

Rev. R. H. Williams reported the work of the Oklahoma City Society.

Rev. Marion J. Kline, D. D., reminded us that it was the day on which the three missionaries with Miss Fahs sailed for India from New York, and suggested that the afternoon devotional service be set apart specially in memory of our representatives in the foreign field.

Meeting adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

Mrs. Jacob Schauer led the devotional service, using a lesson from the *Missionary Journal*.

Minutes read and approved.

Roll called. All delegates responded.

Mrs. Burtis presented the work of the five new departments, giving an outline of the work of the German, Young People's, and Cradle Roll Departments.

Mrs. Bond, General Secretary of the Thank-offering Department, presented her work. She said: "In the work of this department the idea is to follow along in about the same line that we have been doing; but we must learn to appreciate a little more a method of systematic giving, day by day, or at least monthly. We do not want to leave the thank-offering until the last thing before coming to Synod, but we want to do it day by day, making an offering for all the blessings we have, daily and hourly."

Miss Maedel, who had been appointed Synodical Secretary for the Home Department, explained the literature used and the methods for work.

Delegates gave expressions of active interest in the thank-offering work, of success in the Cradle Roll, and of the Young People's Missionary Society.

Digest of Mrs. Ott's Paper.

"*The True Attitude of the Church Member Toward Missions.*"

It would seem that we have no right to retain the Bible in our homes if we are not willing to work for missions. The Gospels exhibit to us the Christ as the first missionary sent out by the Father, and show as His last work upon earth that He sends out His apostles as missionaries. It remains for the members of the Christian Church the world over to carry the tidings of this blessed Gospel to all who sit in darkness. It would seem that many do not realize that the progress of the kingdom depends upon two things—divine power and human agency. Missions are no longer an experiment. While our methods are not complete, yet permanent results have been reached. It has been said that the need of the Church is not more money in the hands of professing Christians, but the Christianizing of the moneyed power which they already possess. The whole movement of modern missions is in answer to prayer. It is the *business* of the Church to evangelize the world, and every Christian should be led to feel that he has a part in it.

Song of Consecration was sung.

Miss Leidigh offered prayer.

Report of Delegate to Biennial Convention was heard.

Invitation of Dr. Troxell for the ladies to accompany Synod in a trolley ride, from 1 to 3 P. M., accepted.

Adjournment.

THIRD SESSION.

On Thursday evening the Twenty-third Anniversary was celebrated in the First Lutheran Church.

Rev. I. B. Heisey, President of Synod, conducted the opening service, the church choir furnishing delightful music.

The first address of the evening was given by Rev. Marion J. Kline, D. D.

This was followed by a little Scottish reading by Miss Martina Martin, of St. Joseph.

Miss Anna E. Sanford spoke of her personal work and experiences among the women of India.

Following the announcements by the Presidents of Synod and Convention, an offering of $13.35 was received.

Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., conducted closing service.

FOURTH SESSION.

Friday morning service of prayer and praise was conducted by Mrs. Nelson, of Moray.

Minutes of Thursday afternoon and evening meetings read and approved.

Report of Committee on Reports of Officers.

Having examined the reports of the officers of this Synodical Society, your committee recognizes and commends the fidelity with which these officers, severally, have performed their duties during the past year.

The President's Report is both cheering and inspiring. The hopeful outlook of the General Society and the continued well-doing of this Synodical Society, as presented in this report, are encouraging.

We advise the consideration of the recommendations presented by the President, as follows:

1. That we appoint Department Secretaries.
2. That we urge each Auxiliary Society to appoint such Secretaries.
3. That the societies within our Synod be encouraged to establish and maintain a fund for the purchase of literature.
4. That we approve the plan of making a Silver Jubilee Offering of $25,000.00.
5. That we adopt the mite-box into our hearts and homes, and endeavor to make our thank-offerings "day by day" and continually.

The Reports of the Vice-Presidents show continued faithfulness and loyalty on the part of Auxiliaries. Three promising societies have been organized during the year.

The Reports of the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer, both clear in detail and neatly prepared, indicate efficient service rendered. The solicitations of these officers in reference to promptness and exactness in reporting should be heeded by Auxiliaries.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HELEN C. BEEGLE,
MISS ANNIE R. LEIDIGH,
MRS. CARL KRUEGER.

Adopted.

A most interesting discussion of the adaptability of the work of the new departments followed.

Some Auxiliary Societies supply themselves with funds for literature by special assessments, some from the contingent fund. It was suggested that the literature of the societies should consist of the magazines and literature of other churches and denominations, in addition to the Lutheran papers and tracts. Maps are very valuable in impressing the *Mission Studies*.

General Society recommended a subscription of $1.00 a member per year for the present biennium, as a method of raising the $25,000.00 Jubilee Fund.

Report of Committee on Minutes, 1902.

Your committee examined the printed Minutes of the Salina Convention and find them correct.

We recommend that the Minutes of the present convention be published in the same manner.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. OLIVE J. PETERS,
MRS. EMMA M. ERICKSON.

Rev. Dr. Wirt, of Des Moines, Iowa, addressed the convention, bringing greetings from the Iowa Society.

Election of officers followed, resulting in the list of officers as printed in the Directory.

Greetings from the society at Hanover were read.

Miss Clara Hase, representing the Mission Band of Lawrence, read a report of the work of that band. She displayed the beautiful banner of the band, with chain of ribbon links, each link representing and bearing the name of one of the seventy-one members.

Moved and carried that a German letter of greeting, to be written by Mrs. Carl Krueger, be sent to the society at Hanover.

Mrs. George's paper was read.

Session closed with prayer.

FIFTH SESSION.

Mrs. Erickson, of Eureka, led the devotional service.

Minutes read and approved.

Rev. Cromer bore greetings of Synod, with the request that Synod might publish minutes of convention with their own, as heretofore.

Vote of thanks and greetings returned.

Extract from Mrs. Zimmerman's Paper.

"How Shall We Inculcate a Love for Missions?"

The missionary spirit ought to permeate our beings to such an extent that we would unconsciously and unceasingly instill it into other hearts. An important step is to circulate our literature, and be sure it is read. Ingenuity will contrive devices that will constrain the reading of tracts or booklets, or will awaken interest with pictures. By breathing quietly the breath of our zeal upon *others* we shall see their hearts changed by the Spirit of God into warm, pulsating, missionary hearts.

Paper by Mrs. Helen C. Beegle.

"Thankfulness and Thanksgiving."

In accordance with an established law of the universe, good received calls forth a return. The plant bends gratefully toward the sunlight, and its return

is a rich yield of blade, blossom, and fruit. Likewise, the animals manifest gratitude for a benefit, either direct to the Creator or to man. If thus, for mere existence, the lower forms of created life manifest appreciation of blessings received and make return, surely man, intelligent and bearing the image of the Creator, should be possessed of the spirit of thankfulness to a degree proportionately greater, and his return should far exceed that of the minor creation.

Our blessings are constant and manifold. The morning dawn, the noonday splendor, the evening dew recur with fixed regularity. Life and health, family and friends, home and country are ours to enjoy. Trusting in a protecting Providence, we lie down to sleep, feeling assured that the mercies which are new every morning will not fail us. In times of sore affliction, the light divine shines into our hearts, changing the midnight gloom of pain or grief into noonday brightness of trust and hope. What cause for thankfulness! What an incitement to thanksgiving! . . . . Jesus Christ, our great examplar, whose injunctions we are under obligation to obey, declares: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Both by precept and example, He taught the duty of benevolence. . . . . Time is apt to dull the sense of mercies past, hence we should be prompt in returning our thanks, not of constraint, but willingly, freely. Vows of worship and of service should be made and then paid, with the deepest sense of gratitude, since, in the fulfillment of such obligations, we are only returning to our Benefactor a tithe of what He has entrusted to us. . . . . What each individual shall return to the Giver of all is left for Him to determine. The Master saith: "Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required;" and the apostle saith: "It is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not." . . . . For an individual to render a thank-offering to God, to do so with consistent liberality and cheerfully is pleasing to Him, since we are assured that "God loveth a cheerful giver;" also that "The liberal soul shall be made fat."

A most delightful treat was afforded the convention by an informal talk with our missionary, Miss Anna E. Sanford. Miss Sanford left with the Secretary a pattern for doll dresses, to be made and sent to her during January.

The box-packing exercises were very interesting.

Address by Mrs. Yarger.

Letter from recipient of last box.

Hymn.

Presentation of gifts in answer to roll of societies.

Value of box and cash contributions, $117.84.

Moved and carried that a Sixth Session be held on Saturday

morning, in order that business of the convention might be completed.

Closing exercises by Mrs. C. E. Wirick, including solo by Mrs. Carl Krueger.

SIXTH SESSION.

Saturday morning, Mrs. I. B. Heisey led the opening service, using Psalm 92.

Minutes read and approved.

Report of Committee on Box-work.

Upon application to the Chairman of Home Box-work, your committee received the name of a home missionary desiring a box. Requests for needed supplies for the work were sent to all Auxiliary Societies and met with prompt and generous response, showing that a great interest is manifested in this line of work.

The contributions of goods and cash from societies and congregations are as follows:

Abilene, $7.00; Atchison, $7.50; Atchison, Young People, Midland College, $2.25; Effingham, $4.50; Emporia, $6.15; Eureka, $2.50; Hebron, $2.50; Hutchinson, $3.17; Kansas City Memorial, $3.27; Kansas City, First Church, $4.00; Lawrence, $8.00; Lawrence, Mission Band, $3.00; Moray, $6.00; Minneapolis, $5.00; New Cambria, $5.00; Ottawa, $2.00; Peabody, $8.40; Perth, $4.00; Salina, $5.00; Topeka, $7.50; Waterville, $3.90; Whitewater, $3.00; Hanover, $4.50; Oklahoma, $6.00; Midland College and Theological Students, $2.70. Total, $117.84.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. MILDRED YARGER.

Report of Committee on Historian's Report and Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

We, your committee, desire to say we have examined these reports and find them instructive, concise, and carefully prepared. As to the Historian's Report, we realize its full value, and recommend that it be published, with the exception of the extracts from the By-Laws.

We call attention to the request that the Auxiliaries elect delegates in August and send names to the Synodical President.

We approve the suggestion that the Auxiliaries endeavor to secure at least one life member each during the coming year.

The papers read during the sessions contain many thoughts of interest and inspiration for the workers, and we recommend that extracts from them be published.

In examining the Report of Delegate to General Convention, we find it excellent and instructive, and recommend that the convention give Mrs. Peters a rising vote of thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JOHN HOFFER,
MRS. J. P. ADAMS,
MRS. EMMA RUNKLE.

Adopted as printed.

Letters from Miss Laura Wade Rice, relative to the *Children's Missionary*, and from Mrs. Knollenberg, explaining the work of the new German Department, were read.

On motion, the Executive Committee were empowered to appoint the New Department Secretaries.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

WHEREAS, By the tender mercy of God, we have been permitted to assemble in this the Twenty-third Convention of the Synod of Kansas, having been kept and signally blessed during the past year of flood and disaster; and,

WHEREAS, The work has moved steadily forward in the organization of new societies and in the increase of offerings; therefore, be it

1. *Resolved*, That we acknowledge our loving Father as the source of every blessing and that we devote ourselves more earnestly to His service.

2. *Resolved*, That we have been especially blessed in the presence of our returned missionary, Miss Anna E. Sanford, whose words enlightened and inspired all with a new enthusiasm for our work in the field she represents; also in the presence of Rev. Marion J. Kline, D. D., Secretary, of the Board of Foreign Missions; Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Church Extension; Rev. Luther P. Ludden, Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions; and Rev. J. A. Wirt, D. D., of Des Moines, representing the Deaconess Board.

3. *Resolved*, That we heartily commend the action of the convention in regard to the Silver Jubilee Offering, and urge that each Auxiliary Society apply itself with zeal to the matter.

4. *Resolved*, That we recognize the new departments as advanced movements, and urge all Auxiliary Societies to follow the suggestions of the different Secretaries.

5. *Resolved*, That, as the United Study of Missions has awakened a deeper interest, we recommend its general use in the Auxiliary Societies.

6. *Resolved*, That we have heard with sorrow of the death of the veteran missionary to India, Rev. E. Unangst, D. D. We rejoice in the work he accomplished through the many years of his service. He rests from his labors and his works do follow him. We also deplore the death of Rev. David Earhart, of Kansas City, Mo., an honorary member of our society; a constant friend and helper.

7. *Resolved*, That we extend a vote of thanks to Rev. Weidley, D. D., of Pittsburg, Pa., for the beautiful souvenir programme of the General Convention sent to each Auxiliary Society, and that the Recording Secretary send a copy of this resolution to him.

8. *Resolved*, That we regret the removal from our bounds of Mrs. Jesse W. Ball, who, at the time of her departure, held the office of Synodical Treasurer, and our good wishes follow her to her new field of labor.

9. *Resolved*, That to the people of the Francis Street Methodist Church we express, by a rising vote of thanks, our appreciation of the use of their church for the sessions of our convention, also that a copy of this resolution be sent to the pastor.

10. *Resolved*, That we heartily acknowledge our appreciation of the boundless hospitality extended to our convention by the members and friends of the First English Lutheran Church, and that we hereby express our gratitude to the pastor and his wife, the choir, the Reception Committee of the church, by whose courtesy a delightful trolley ride to Lake Contrary was given Synod and the convention, and to the good women who provided substantial lunch each day.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. E. WIRICK,
MRS. H. L. HUMPHREYS,
MRS. CHARLES ZIESENIS.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Literature and Box-work Committees' Reports.

We have examined the Report of the Literature Committee and note with pleasure the increase of interest over last year's work. We would call especial attention to the wish of the General Society to secure 10,000 new subscribers to the *Missionary Journal* and *Children's Missionary*, also to increase their orders for Tracts and *Studies*, believing that in knowledgs there is power. We recommend the usual appropriation of $5.00 for the furtherance of this work. We recommend the continuance of the present efficient committee.

We have also examined the Report of the Committee on Box-work, and find the work has been most faithfully done. We are rejoiced at the generous responses on the part of the societies, as is shown by their liberal and increased contributions, and we hope we may continue this good work. We

would call attention to the report of the General Society with reference to the Foreign Box-work, found on page 124 of the Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LYDIA A. OTT,
MRS. N. L. NELSON,
MRS. ADDIE PUGH.

Adopted.

Moved and caried that a committee be appointed by the President to revise the By-Laws of the society, to report at next convention.

Adjournment, with prayer by Rev. Wirick.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Annual Executive Session convened at 3 P. M.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid:

Printing programmes	$3 00
President's expenses	4 00
Postage and stationery	1 60
Corresponding Secretary's expenses	10 30
Miss Anna E. Sanford's expenses	9 60
Appropriation for literature	5 00
Subscriptions to Memorial Window	1 00
Chairman Literature Committee	7 50
	$42 00

New Department Secretaries.

Home Department—Mrs. J. P. Burtis.

Thank-offering Department—Mrs. Lydia A. Ott.

German Department—Mrs. Carl Krueger.

Young People and Cradle Roll—Mrs. Helen C. Beegle.

Box-work Committee—Mrs. John Hoffer, Mrs. H. L. Yarger, Mrs. Oscar Nelson.

Literature Committee—Mrs. O. J. Peters, Mrs. W. H. Barber.

Auditing Committee—Miss Maedel, Mrs. George.

Endowment Fund—Miss Anna Leidigh.

JOSEPHINE MAEDEL,
Secretary pro tem.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the sum of dollars, and request my executor or administrator to pay to said corporation said amount at the settlement of my estate.

I hereby give and devise to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the following described real estate:

, to have and to hold the same with appurtenances thereto.

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CORPORATE NAMES AND TITLES.

To prevent all mistakes in the writing of wills and making of bequests to the benevolent objects of the Church, it has been ordered that the corporate names and titles of the different Boards and Societies of the General Synod should appear on this page. If those who contemplate making any of the church institutions special legatees in their last wills are careful to use the legal titles here following, their pious intentions will not be frustrated.

THE GENERAL SYNOD.

"The General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

"The Board of Church Extension of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

"The Board of Education of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"The Board of Foreign Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG.

"The Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

"The Historical Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

"The Board of Home Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE DEACONESS BOARD.

"The Deaconess Board of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE ORPHANS' HOME AT LOYSVILLE, PA.

"Trustees Orphans' Home of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the General Synod in the United States of America."

THE PARENT EDUCATION SOCIETY.

"Parent Education Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

"The Pastors' Fund Society of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

"The Lutheran Publication Society."

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT ATCHISON, KAN.

"Western Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the United States."

CARTHAGE COLLEGE.

"Carthage College, Carthage, Illinois."

THE W. H. AND F. M. SOCIETY.

"The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

HOME FOR THE AGED.

"The National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Washington, D. C."

CAUTION.

It would be well to remember that State laws should be consulted in making